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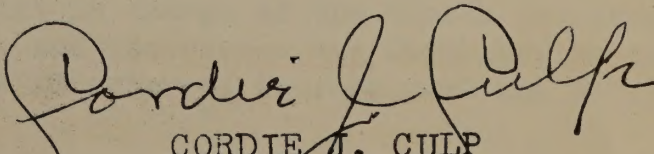
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HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Stronghold of American Presbyterianism, the middle colonies early offered many attractions to newcomers. In 1674, England established her claim to the possession of Nova Caesarea (New Jersey), confirming her grants of this territory by the crown to the Duke of York, and by him to Sir George Carteret and to Lord John Berkeley.¹ An attitude of toleration had been clearly exemplified by Carteret and Berkeley throughout their earlier relations to the province. This, together with the purchase of Berkeley's interest by the Quakers, Fenwicke and Byllynge, opened the door to a large influx of immigrants.²

New England Puritans of Presbyterian convictions, moving south into Long Island and thence into New Jersey, found association with Calvinists of Presbyterian leanings.³ Covenanters were already arriving from Scotland and Ireland (Ulster).⁴ Huguenots appeared from France and New England by way of Staten Island. Infiltrated among these were members of the reformed groups of Germany, Holland, and Switzerland.⁵

To properly value the forces and convictions motivating the persistent religious efforts of these early colonials, it is necessary to sketch briefly the causes underlying their desire to establish a Presbyterian community in Jersey. Because of the large influx of Scotch Presbyterians during this early period of New Jersey history, more space will be allotted them.

SCOTTISH COVENANTERS

The Presbyterian Church was established in Scotland as a national church in 1560, just one year after the return of John Knox from his enforced exile of twelve years.⁶ For the first time a whole

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1. Leaming and Spicer, Grants and Concessions, pp. 41, 46.
 2. Ibid, pp. 412, 505; Isaac S. Mulford, A Civil and Political History of New Jersey to 1789, p. 164.
 3. William Henry Roberts, A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., p. 12; Robert Hastings Nichols, The Growth of the Christian Church, Vol. II, p. 187; Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism: Its Origin and Early History, pp. 121-123.
 4. Robert Hastings Nichols, The Growth of the Christian Church, Vol. II, pp. 188, 189.
 5. Ibid, Vol. II, p. 186. For progress of these Reformed Church groups in New Jersey see the forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of New Jersey: Reformed Churches.
 6. Lefferts A. Loetscher, A Brief History of the Presbyterians, p. 23; William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, pp. 42-44.

country had its church interests moulded into a complete Presbyterian system, with kirk sessions, Presbyteries, synod, and general assembly. Successfully facing Catholic reaction under Queen Mary, the Scottish Church continued to grow under the lukewarm sponsorship of James VI. When this ruler also became the king of England as James I, following Elizabeth's death in 1603, he began to lay every possible obstacle in the way of Scottish Presbyterians. As head of the English Church he feared the democratic freedom of his native kirk.⁷

As determined as James I was to discourage the freedom of the Scottish Church, his son, Charles I, who succeeded him in 1625, was bolder and more active. In 1637, he attempted to force episcopacy upon the Scottish churches, leading to the now famous covenant of the following year, signed first at Greyfriars' Church in Edinburgh. For these original courageous Covenanters it was fortunate that the King's problems elsewhere kept them safe for the time. Hard pressed by his growing domestic problems, Charles was unable to prevent the parliaments of England and Scotland from ratifying the Solemn League and Covenant, in 1643, thus insuring the safety of Presbyterianism throughout the British Isles. Crowned king of Scotland as early as 1651, two years after his father's execution, Charles II swore to support these covenants.⁸

Resenting the freedom of Presbyterians, Charles II began making trouble for them as soon as he was crowned king of England in 1660. Persecutions of growing severity lasted throughout his reign and also that of his brother, James II, who succeeded him in 1685. To the sorely pressed covenanters it seemed necessary to resort to arms, and the memorable battles of Drumclog and Bothwell Bridge were fought. Of stern, determined stuff, these covenanters were resolved to preserve the principles of Presbyterianism set forth in defense of the Solemn League and Covenant of 1643. Winning the first but losing the second battle, they were driven into the moors and mountains for safety. Their leaders were captured and executed, and many of their followers departed for the northern country of Ireland (Ulster) and America.⁹ Presbyterianism was thus outlawed in Scotland until 1690, two years after the coming of William and Mary to the English throne.¹⁰

FRENCH HUGUENOTS

The climax of religious wars and persecutions of Protestants in

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7. Ernest Sutherland Bates, American Faith, p. 74; Lefferts A. Loetscher, A Brief History of the Presbyterians, p. 24.
 8. John McNaugher, The United Presbyterian Church, p. 6; William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, p. 46.
 9. Alfred Nevin, Churches of the Valley, p. 15; James Hastings, Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, Vol. X, p. 201.
 10. John McNaugher, The United Presbyterian Church, pp. 6, 7; Richard Webster, History of the Presbyterian Church in America, pp. 46, 47, 49.

France was reached in the general massacre of St. Bartholomew's Day in 1572. In 1598, the Edict of Nantes gave liberties to the suppressed protestants. However, Louis XIV, grandson of the onetime champion of French Protestants, Henry of Navarre, was determined to destroy them. In 1685, he revoked the Edict of Nantes, and forced many Huguenots (oath companions) to flee for safety to points in Europe, England, and America. These Huguenots were reformers of definite Presbyterian leaning.¹¹

CONGREGATIONAL NEW ENGLAND

Although coming to colonial New England in two successive groups, usually referred to as Pilgrims and Puritans respectively, many of the colonists early adopted a Congregational order. Established by the several colonial legislatures, beginning with Connecticut, it became known as the "Standing Order".¹² Its leaders recognized that this open order would avoid local jealousies, and at the same time ameliorate the growing alarm of the established church in England. It was inevitable, however, that out of this open order certain individuals and groups with strong Calvinistic convictions and Presbyterian reflexes would face local governmental obstructions to their earnest desire for independence.¹³ Some of these migrating to Long Island as early as 1640 were, or became, Presbyterian.¹⁴

A CONNECTICUT CONGREGATION MOVES IN

In the month of August, 1664, Governor Philip Carteret arrived off Elizabethport. Soon thereafter he dispatched messengers to New England to announce the generous terms of the Lords Proprietors directed to all who might move into Jersey. These messengers of the governor must have found interested ears among certain in Milford and nearby Branford.¹⁵ An investigating committee under the leadership of Robert Treat was sent to confirm these reports; and in May 1666, "friends from Milford and the neighboring plantations thereabout" landed

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11. Lewis S. Mudge, Presbyterianism, in Vol. XVIII of The Encyclopaedia Britannica, Fourteenth Edition, p. 443; Richard Webster, History of the Presbyterian Church in America, p. 47.
 12. William Henry Roberts, A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., pp. 24, 25; Williston Walker, A History of the Congregational Churches in the United States; pp. 56-68, 100-107.
 13. Ernest Sutherland Bates, American Faith, p. 124; Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, pp. 121-123.
 14. William Henry Roberts, A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., pp. 12, 13; Charles Lemuel Thompson, The Presbyterians, p. 15.
 15. Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, pp. 10-12; William P. Shriner, After Two Hundred and Sixty-five Years, p. 2.

and organized their settlement not far from Elizabethtown, which was settled about twenty months earlier.¹⁶ During the same month of May 1666, neighboring Branford and Guilford families arrived and signed an agreement with Captain Treat's Milford group in their new home, which they had named Newark.¹⁷

Among the Branford members of this early Jersey settlement was Rev. Abraham Pierson, who had come from Newark-on-Trent to New England in 1639. Ordained pastor of the Congregational Church at Lynn, Massachusetts, in 1640, he moved to Branford, Connecticut, as pastor in 1644, where he served until the exodus that brought about the beginnings of the Newark congregation.¹⁸

In 1672, Abraham Pierson, Jr., a graduate of Harvard in 1668 and assistant to his father since 1669, became the pastor of the Newark Church. Greatly beloved as was his father, his pastorate is of principal significance to this narrative in the causes given for his resignation in 1692.¹⁹ Disagreeing with certain of his members regarding Congregational government, he removed to Connecticut, becoming the first president (rector) of Yale College in 1701. Already in 1692, there was strong evidence of Scotch infiltration, setting the stage for later Presbytery affiliation.²⁰

Under the leadership of Rev. Joseph Webb, 6th pastor of the Newark congregation, this church became a member of the Presbytery of Philadelphia. Mr. Webb was ordained by the presbytery in 1719, thus cementing the bond and establishing the Presbyterian status of the group.²¹

The Woodbridge and Elizabethtown churches (entries 308, 309), contemporaries of this early Newark congregation, unite with it in the prized heritage of organization history, a story of accomplishments implemented by the finest metal that the church genius of Puritan, Scotch, and Huguenot settlers possessed.²² Woodbridge was the first of the three to openly declare itself a Presbyterian church, being received into the

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16. Town Book, Milford, Conn., 1666.
 17. Jonathan F. Stearns, Historical Discourses, p. 3; Town Records, Newark, N. J., May 24, 1666.
 18. Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, pp. 24, 25; see entry 99.
 19. Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, pp. 41-43.
 20. Richard Webster, History of the Presbyterian Church in America, p. 66.
 21. Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, p. 54; E. Hall Gillet, History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Vol. I, pp. 30-40.
 22. Herbert K. England, Historical Sketch of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, pp. 3-5.

Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1710, preceeding Elizabethtown by seven years, and Newark by nine.²³

COVENANTERS ON THE RARITAN

As early as 1679, emigrations of Scotch Presbyterians to East Jersey began.²⁴ In that year the interests of Sir George Carteret, sole proprietor, were purchased by an association of twelve men, increasing two years later to the number of twenty-four.²⁵ These proprietors were largely Presbyterian and Quakers. Among them were James, Earl of Perth, Robert Barclay, Robert Gordon, William Penn, and Gawen Lawrie. In 1681, Robert Barclay succeeded Philip Carteret as governor of the province, and the former's second deputy was Gawen Lawrie.²⁶ The imagination and determination of this Scotch Presbyterian played a large part in the development of Amboy Point as an early colonial capital, and asylum for persecuted Scots.

In honor of the leading proprietor, the Earl of Perth, the name was changed to Perth Amboy. Here on a forbidding December day of 1685, landed a shipload of refugees that had sailed more than three months before from Leith, Scotland. Two hundred strong when they departed their native land, their lofty purposes and spirit of high adventure were sorely tested by a voyage that took a toll of seventy lives.²⁷ From this group, all too large for the Perth Amboy of 1685 to house, members passed into Woodbridge, New York, and points in New England. Among these were David Jamison, who aided in the formation of the First Presbyterian Church of New York City; and Walter Ker, one of the founders of the Freehold Presbyterian Church.²⁸ David Simpson remained as pastor of those that settled at Perth Amboy, serving until his death.²⁹

Spreading out from Perth Amboy, the group of Scots under Walter Ker organized a church community at Freehold. Here on "Free Hill" they first worshiped in their crude church of logs about 1690. Services were conducted at irregular intervals by Rev. John Boyd, a graduate of the University of Glasgow, whose ordination on December 27, 1706, marks a momentous occasion for Presbytery.³⁰

23. Ibid, p. 5.

24. Alfred Nevin, Churches of the Valley, p. 17.

25. Leaming and Spicer, Grants and Concessions, p. 412 sq.

26. Harlan G. Mendenhall, Presbyterianism in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, pp. 1, 2.

27. Ibid, Ch. I.

28. See entry 241.

29. See entry 314.

30. Asbury Park Press, Vol. 53, No. 44; George W. Burrows, History of Old Scots Church, pp. 2-17; Records of Old Scots Church, in Vol. II, Proceedings Monmouth County Historical Society, Freehold, N. J.

Passing from the inspiring beginnings of these earliest focal centers of Presbyterianism in the province of East Jersey, the story now turns south into West Jersey. A community migration almost parallel to that of the Milford-Branford group was experienced by families from Fairfield County, Connecticut. In 1680, this group came into West Jersey and settled along the Cohansey, calling their settlement Fairfield. As an earnest of their Presbyterian convictions, this "Church of Christ in Fairfield" joined the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1708, two years earlier than the Woodbridge congregation. The old log church on the Cohansey was a strong focus for Presbyterian influence in southern New Jersey.³¹

At Maidenhead, now Lawrenceville, a Presbyterian community began to worship as early as 1698.³² This organization was soon followed by churches at Hopewell, Ewing, Pennington, and Trenton.³³ About 1688, a Presbyterian community was organized on the banks of the Raritan in Bound Brook. Like most of these early stations in the colony the first building was of logs.³⁴ Undoubtedly there were numerous Presbyterians in this section from the beginning of the province.

THE CHURCH AT THE CROSS ROADS

In these last years of the seventeenth century heroic effort was exerted to maintain status quo and to promote growth, for the Presbyterian has ever been missionary at heart. Scattered over New Jersey from the Passaic to the cape, from Raritan Bay to the Delaware, where Indian trails crossed, or travel by inland stream offered easier access, these communities arose. The log church was the community center the well-spring from which encouragement and strength ever flowed. The great difficulty of extensive travel and almost impossible ready communication in those early days, kept these communities isolated and hindered that denominational organization so important to Presbyterian growth.

MAKEMIE ARRIVES

The Scotch and Irish (Ulstermen) in the colony of Maryland sent an appeal, in 1680, to the Irish Presbytery of Laggan for a Presbyterian minister. William Trail was sent in answer to this appeal, and Francis

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31. Addison Berg Collins, The Presbytery of West Jersey, pp. 17, 18; see also entry 160.
 32. William Thomson Hanzsche, New Brunswick Presbytery, Until the First General Assembly, pp. 10, 11; see entry 5.
 33. Edward Allen Morris, A Brief Historical Sketch of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, p. 1; see entries 5-8.
 34. See entry 4.

Makemie followed in 1683.³⁵ This young minister proved the greatest ground coverer of the early colonial church, making missionary and organization journeys from the Carolinas to New York.³⁶ Notwithstanding the many obstacles in his way this indefatigable missionary pastor saw much fruit from his early labor. The Presbyterian groups in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey were thus tied together in a loose bond that soon was to bear much fruit.³⁷

PRESBYTERY ORGANIZES

Before 1700 there were no decisive plans laid for coordinating these Jersey churches and those of other seaboard communities. The ministers serving the widely scattered Presbyterian groups were educated in Scotland, England, or Wales, and had had affiliation with British presbyteries. Here in the colonies, however, this presbytery supervision was negative and sorely needed.³⁸ This was the situation found by Francis Makemie, and it was not long before his penchant for organization, abetted by his spiritual zeal, produced results.

In 1692, Francis Makemie is said to have conducted the first Presbyterian service in Philadelphia.³⁹ A congregation was organized, and Jedediah Andrews, a graduate of Harvard College was installed as pastor in 1701.⁴⁰ Radiating from this church as a center, with the commanding leadership and infinite tact of Makemie as liason officer, began a hegemony for Philadelphia so characteristic of the early chapters of other denominations in the Middle Atlantic area. In 1706, the initial meeting of organization was called, probably in the spring.⁴¹

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35. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, p. 63; Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, p. 140, and Appendix, 44, 45; William Henry Roberts, A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., p. 15.
 36. Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 18; I. Marshall Page, The Life Story of Rev. Francis Makemie, p. 156.
 37. Richard Webster, A History of the Presbyterian Church in America, p. 297 sq.; Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, pp. 116, 117; Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterians in the United States, p. 18; E. Hall Gillet, History of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, Vol. I, p. 5.
 38. Jacob Harris Patton, A Popular History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., pp. 92, 93.
 39. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, p. 63.
 40. William Henry Roberts, A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church, p. 18.
 41. Richard Webster, A History of the Presbyterian Church in America, p. 91. Note: the first page of the minute book has been lost.

The Presbytery had an humble beginning. Only seven ministers were on its roll in 1706, two from Ireland, one from Scotland, and four from New England.⁴² It early went into action, however, and we read of its first recorded session (preserved) at Freehold, December 27, 1706.⁴³ As we have seen above, New Jersey churches joined Presbytery in due course of time; and by 1716, the member groups had increased from seven to seventeen.⁴⁴ Already the passing of the Test Act in Ireland was rapidly increasing Presbyterian emigration to America; and these immigrants, infiltrating throughout the middle colonies, were adding new strength to the churches of Presbytery.⁴⁵ Growth was so definitely marked by 1716, that the leaders of their youthful American church realized the need of multiple presbyteries, and the grouping of these into a general synodical relationship.

THE GENERAL SYNOD

At its regular meeting in 1716, the Philadelphia Presbytery, the presbytery, voted to organize the colonial Presbyterian churches into a General Synod, which was to embrace churches already established in New York, Long Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland.⁴⁶ At their first regular meeting in 1717, the Synod recognized the Presbyteries of Long Island, Philadelphia, New Castle, and Snow Hill.⁴⁷ The organization of the Presbytery of Long Island by the Philadelphia Synod proved a strategic movement of great value, for it became the rallying center of numerous Puritan-Congregational Communities of strong Presbyterian leanings.⁴⁸ As early as 1691, the Presbyterian and Congregational churches in Scotland had reached a broad basis of agreement, endorsing the principal features of the Westminster Confession. This agreement was reflected in Presbyterian affiliation of northern New Jersey churches just after the turn of the century.⁴⁹ One of the leading organizers of the General Synod was Jonathan Dickinson, Pastor at Elizabethtown, of whom we shall read more later.⁵⁰ Another was the grandson of that first pastor of the congregation of Newark, John Pierson of Woodbridge.⁵¹

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42. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, p. 140.
 43. Entry 238.
 44. Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 19.
 45. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, p. 184.
 46. See entry 2.
 47. Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 25.
 48. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, pp. 177, 178.
 49. See entries 99, 308, 309.
 50. Herbert K. England, Historical Sketch of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, pp. 3, 4.
 51. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, pp. 174, 175

THE ADOPTING ACT OF 1729

The most active religious force in New Jersey during this first quarter of the 18th century was composed in large part of Scots and Scotch-Irish. They were strong Calvinists, even stern in their uncompromising attitude toward any modification of covenanter principles.⁵² Bred in the midst of trying persecutions, they took their religion hard, ever ready for debate and defense of what they held so dear.⁵³ And there were frequent opportunities for debate. Liberals (for that day) had already arisen. The ministers educated in England and New England lacked the keen cutting edge of covenanter temper, and were often depressed by the letter of the Westminster Confession, although never by its spirit.⁵⁴

Had it not been for the wise leadership of certain New Jersey ministers and laymen, a program of prolonged controversy over the mooted points might easily have wrecked the beginnings of the Synod.

The situation was solved by a resolution which Jonathan Dickinson, pastor at Elizabethtown, offered at the annual meeting of Synod in 1729.⁵⁵ Thus the "Adopting Act" was passed, and a strategic movement of progress accomplished. An analysis of the resolution shows that its proponents accepted the "essential and necessary articles" of the Westminster Confession with the Longer and Shorter Catechisms, but reserved to themselves some right of personal interpretation.⁵⁶ The resolution also definitely stamped the unalterable stand of the Presbyterian Church against a combination of church and state programs.⁵⁷

THE LOG COLLEGE

Education in the middle colonies was a negative factor during this first quarter of the 18th century. The early recognition of this need in the young Presbyterian Church here brings the story, in natural sequence, to "Log College" and New Jersey's Tennents.

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52. Ernest Sutherland Bates, American Faith, p. 215.
 53. Richard Webster, A History of the Presbyterian Church in America, pp. 121-124.
 54. For accounts of the establishment of the Westminster Confession, see Lewis S. Mudge, Presbyterianism, in Vol. XVIII, of The Encyclopaedia Britannica, Fourteenth Edition, p. 444; George Park Fisher, The Reformation, pp. 369, 370.
 55. Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 26.
 56. Adopting Act cited in William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, pp. 72-74.
 57. Jacob Harris Patton, A History of the Presbyterian Church, pp. 113, 114.

The Rev. William Tennent was an Irish clergyman of the Church of England. In 1716, he emigrated to this country, having just previously married the daughter of a prominent Presbyterian minister.⁵⁸ The influence of his wife and father-in-law, Rev. Gilbert Kennedy, was sufficient to bring William Tennent into the Presbyterian Church. After a short period spent in New York, the Tennents moved to Neshaminy.⁵⁹ Here in Buck's County, Pennsylvania, about 28 miles north of Philadelphia, William Tennent's life work began.⁶⁰

Impressed by the need for American training for the young men of the middle colonies who felt called to the Presbyterian ministry, this graduate of the University of Glasgow began plans for the opening of a classical school. It was a simple, crude building of logs, but became a valuable contribution to the cause. Here his four sons and many other young men of New Jersey were trained for the ministry.⁶¹ The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America is probably not more indebted to any individual for her evangelical spirit than to the founder of "Log College".⁶²

Rev. George Whitfield (see below) wrote in his Journal referring to Log College:

"This place wherein the young men now study is in contempt called 'The College'. It is a log house about twenty feet long and as many feet broad, and to me it seems to resemble the school of the old prophetsAll that we can say of most of our Universities is that they are glorious without. From this place seven or eight worthy ministers have been sent forth, more are ready to be sent, and the foundation is now laying the instruction of many others".⁶³

58. Archibald Alexander, Biographical Sketches, p. 16.

59. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, p. 75.

60. Archibald Alexander, Biographical Sketches, pp. 11, 12.

61. Atlantic County Historical Society, Early History of Atlantic County, Vol. I, p. 98; Cordie J. Culp, Historical Sketch, p. 4.

62. Atlantic County Historical Society, Early History of Atlantic County, Vol. I, p. 98; Cordie J. Culp, Historical Sketch, p. 4.

63. The Journal from which this extract is taken was printed in Philadelphia by Benjamin Franklin, c. 1740, cited by Alfred Nevin, Presbyterian Encyclopaedia, p. 437; Archibald Alexander, Biographical Sketches, p. 15.

THE GREAT AWAKENING

Jacob Frelinghuysen became pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church at Raritan in 1719. A native of Holland, where he had felt the deeply religious influence of Pietism, he had developed unusual evangelistic zeal.⁶⁴ Early in the second quarter of that century, Jonathan Dickinson, pastor at Elizabethtown had also developed evangelistic warmth, leading a great revival among his young people.⁶⁵ The Presbyterian congregation in Newark, under the skillful leadership of the Rev. Aaron Burr, was experiencing a similar revival. Mr. Burr had early learned to temper his Calvinism with gentleness.⁶⁶ The church at Woodbridge, under Rev. John Pierson, the grandson of Newark's first pastor, was also experiencing phenomenal growth and revival. Gilbert Tennent, the oldest son of William Tennent, Sr., became pastor of the Presbyterian Church at New Brunswick in 1726, and influenced by his neighboring pastor, Jacob Frelinghuysen, was soon leading in a revival of religion in his area.⁶⁷

These were isolated instances of a revival of warmth, not only in Presbyterian Church communities, but also in those of other denominations in New Jersey. They were religious phenomena of a deeply spiritual nature, entirely apart from the great Methodist Revival in England. The significant aspect is the perfect timing with the movement abroad.⁶⁸ As yet the Wesleys had not been heard of in America, and a leader to synchronize these individual programs had not arisen.

The New Jersey churches did not have long to wait. The efforts of men like Burr, Pierson, Dickinson, and Tennent to soften the growing controversial and dogmatic sternness of others in the church were rewarded. Whitfield came to America, and with his coming gave unity to the movement.⁶⁹ George Whitfield was a Calvinistic Methodist associated with the Wesleys and the contemporary Oxford movement. Actuated by the missionary fervor of a crusader, he came to America in 1738. Between the colonies of Georgia and New York, even into New England, he made many tours. In New England he found fertile soil already prepared by Jonathan Edwards, Sr. Here in New Jersey, as in the rest of America, Methodism was practically unknown, and Whitfield preached wherever he could get an audience.⁷⁰ He came to New Brunswick

64. William Thomson Hanzsche, New Brunswick Presbytery, p. 15; Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 30.

65. Ibid, p. 31.

66. Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, pp. 61-63.

67. Archibald Alexander, Biographical Sketches, pp. 36, 37, 53.

68. Inventory of the Church Archives of New Jersey: Baptist Bodies, p. xii.

69. William Warren Sweet, The Story of Religions in America, pp. 190-193.

70. Ernest Sutherland Bates, American Faith, p. 215.

in 1739, and immediately formed a deep friendship with Gilbert Tennent, the passionate Calvinist. With inspired genius and devotion, Whitfield was able to consolidate the evangelical programs of the various New Jersey churches.⁷¹

NEW SIDE, OLD SIDE

The figure that stands out foremost in New Jersey's chapter of the Great Awakening is that of Gilbert Tennent. Educated at his father's school at Neshaminy, he came to the congregation at New Brunswick in 1726, as its first resident pastor. Around him and his leadership the progress, amid controversy, of the mid-century developed.⁷²

The emotional fervor inspired by Whitfield and his followers among certain Presbyterian ministers produced alarm among the conservatives of Pennsylvania and certain ministers in New Jersey to whom the revival was an unknown and therefore dubious and suspected thing. Thus early in the history of the church dead orthodoxy and zeal with piety were pitted against one another.⁷³

In 1737, the General Synod (entry 2) passed an act against the intrusion of ministers into the boundaries of other congregations; and the following year the Synod required that the Examining Committee, insist on a college diploma, or examination before the full committee, in granting the candidate a license to preach.⁷⁴ Placing more emphasis on fitness and devoutness than on college degrees, and recognizing the possible slight involved to Log College students, the New Brunswick group disregarded this act and withdrew from the Synod, June 1st, 1741.⁷⁵ The Presbytery of New Brunswick (entry 3) had been set up in 1738, the same year that the East Jersey Presbytery had been combined with that of Long Island to make the Presbytery of New York.⁷⁶ Receiving its name from Gilbert Tennent's Church in New Brunswick, the presbytery early acknowledged his leadership.

So disrupting was the old order policy of the conservative influence of the Philadelphia hegemony, that by 1745 a new Synod, the Synod of New York, was formed. This embraced the Presbyteries of New Brunswick, New Castle, and New York. The Philadelphia Synod was called the "Old Side"

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71. Cordie J. Culp, Historical Sketch of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, pp. 4, 5.
 72. Ibid, p. 5; Ernest Sutherland Bates, American Faith, p. 215.
 73. William Thomson Hanzsche, New Brunswick Presbytery, pp. 14, 15.
 74. From David and John Brainerd's Dairy, cited in Atlantic County Historical Society Proceedings, Vol. I, p. 98; William Thomson Hanzsche, New Brunswick Presbytery, p. 13.
 75. Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 33.
 76. See entry 3.

and the New York Synod the "New Side".⁷⁷ Hurt feelings and sharp difference of opinion grew out of the disruption of 1741. These problems, together with the difficulty of rearranging presbytery areas, rendered overtures of reunion impossible prior to 1749. In that year, a joint committee met in Trenton to consider a plan for cooperation. However, nine more years were required to happily combine the revival enthusiasm of the New York Synod with the doctrinal soundness of the Philadelphia Synod. Concession having been made by both sides, this synodical disunion was healed in 1758, just 17 years after separation. The union embraced the name, Synod of New York and Philadelphia.⁷⁸

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

As a product of the Great Awakening, sponsored by the more liberal leadership of the New Side group of the Synod of New York, the College of New Jersey was chartered and organized in 1746.⁷⁹ Rev. Jonathan Dickinson had conducted a classical school for young men in Elizabethtown for a number of years. Having met with much success, the incorporators, including Jonathan Dickinson, Aaron Burr, John Pierson, and Ebenezer Pemberton, elected to take over the school. President Dickinson's sudden death proved a great blow to the movement. The college was closed and its eight students were transferred to Newark, where the Rev. Aaron Burr operated a similar classical school.

In 1748, the new governor of New Jersey proved a worthy sponsor of the college movement. A new charter was granted, with the Governor as president of the directing board, and the Rev. Aaron Burr was unanimously elected president of the reorganization. Accordingly, Newark and the former classical school of the new president became the home of the College of New Jersey for the next eight years.⁸⁰ About ninety young men were graduated during this period. Among this number was Dr. Samuel Davis, scholar and renowned orator, who later was to become an outstanding president of the college.

In 1756, accepting a large grant of land in Princeton, the college was moved to that, its present, location. President Burr went to Princeton with the college, but died one year later. Early presidents of this Presbyterian institution were Jonathan Edwards, distinguished theologian and father-in-law of President Burr; and Dr. John

77. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, p. 269.

78. See entry 2; Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 49.

79. Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, p. 64

80. Ibid, pp. 64, 65.

Witherspoon, the only minister signing the Declaration of Independence.⁸¹

EARLY EXPANSION

While the first half of the 18th century presented many depressing problems to these Presbyterian pioneers, the third quarter of the century, or that period from the Great Awakening to the Revolution, offered many opportunities for progress. It saw the introduction of the Sunday School, mounting attacks on the slave trade, intemperance and numerous social evils, and a marked increase of out-stations and colonies of the original mother churches.⁸²

In the area of what is now the Presbytery of Elizabeth strong Presbyterian organizations sprang up: Westfield, Bethlehem, Connecticut Farms, Basking Ridge, Lamington, Rahway First, Springfield, and Metuchen.⁸³ In the coastal country of the Presbytery of East Jersey, now Presbytery of Monmouth, the early churches at Free Hill and Middletown saw added to their number younger and lustier groups at Allentown, Cranbury, Mt. Pleasant, and Freehold.⁸⁴ In the old Newark First area arose progressive, liberal organizations at Orange, Whippany, New Providence, Morristown, Mendham, Madison, Chester, Hanover, Parsippany, Rockaway, and Succasunna. It is clear that the early pastors at Newark and Orange were missionary.⁸⁵ In what is now the area of the Presbytery of Newton, the first congregation organized was at Washington in 1739. Soon there were churches at Oxford, Greenwich, Hackettstown, Yellow Frame in Sussex County, and Knowlton.⁸⁶

In the area influenced by Bound Brook, Lawrenceville, Ewing, Pennington, Trenton First, and New Brunswick there arose churches at Kingston, Amwell, Alexandria (Mt. Pleasant), Princeton, Mt. Airy, and Hamilton Square.⁸⁷ Here is further indication of the progressive work of Gilbert Tennent and his brethren.

In what is now the territory of the Presbytery of West Jersey, area long affiliated with Philadelphia, out of early churches at Fairton, Greenwich (Cumberland County), Cold Spring, Woodbury, and Deerfield came

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81. E. Hall Gillet, History of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, Vol. I, pp. 124-135; Robert Ellis Thomson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 46; Joseph Atkinson, History of Newark, New Jersey, pp. 66, 67.
82. Herbert K. England, Historical Sketch of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, p. 5
83. See entries 310-313, 315-318.
84. See entries 238-240, 243, 245, 250.
85. See entries 423-433.
86. See entries 55-60.
87. See entries 4-16.

Pittsgrove, Blackwood First, and Blackman's Meeting House at Bargaintown in Atlantic County.⁸⁸

PRESBYTERIANS AND THE REVOLUTION

In the glow of this triumphant expansion, amidst the peace of reunion accomplished by the reorganization of the Synod of New York and Philadelphia in 1758, and above all with memories still warm of conditions that had driven so many to these shores, there are obvious reasons why Presbyterians took so decisive a stand against arbitrary power from the earliest beginning of the nation's Revolutionary period.⁸⁹ Born in this country just in time to inherit so fresh and noble a heritage, American Presbyterianism was determined to maintain the liberties it had grown to cherish.

As early as the month of May 1775, a Presbyterian minister, nine elders, and laymen of seven Presbyterian congregations in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, approved the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, written by a Presbyterian attorney, Adam Brevard.⁹⁰ Thus thirteen months prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the same love of self government that had implemented refusal to submit to the arbitrary rulings of the Stewarts and the English national church, again asserted itself in concrete form.⁹¹ The first public voice raised in America against abuse of governing authority had come from Scotch-Irish Presbyterians.

In 1768, the board of directors of the College of New Jersey (page 23) succeeded in securing as president Dr. John Witherspoon from Scotland. Versatile, scholarly, and with extraordinary ability as a lawmaker and leader of men, this college president exerted influence in this Revolutionary period that is almost impossible to over-emphasize.⁹² As a crusader he rallied his people, and others outside New Jersey, to what the entire Presbyterian Church regarded as a righteous, almost a holy cause; for to Presbyterians of that age, liberty for the church depended definitely upon liberty for the state.

The increasing usefulness of Dr. Witherspoon during the Revolution is attested to by the fact that as a member of Congress he was a member of the Board of War, the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Treatment of Prisoners, and the Secret Committee on the

88. See entries 159-167.

89. E. Hall Gillet, History of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, Vol. I, pp. 173, 174.

90. Alfred Nevin, Presbyterian Encyclopedia, p. 516.

91. George P. Hays, Presbyterians, A Popular Narrative of Their Origin, Progress, Doctrines and Achievements, p. 114.

92. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, pp. 85, 86.

Conduct of the War.⁹³

Rev. James Caldwell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Elizabethtown, is perhaps the most apt illustration of Presbyterian preachers of Revolution memory. According to his neighbors, "he preached and fought alternately".

The leaders of the church in New Jersey of that day were men of heroic mold. Such men as the Tennents, Witherspoon, Caldwell, McWhorter, Rodgers, McDowell, Sprout, Cooper, the Allisons, and others, would have proven themselves brilliant leaders in any age.⁹⁴

AFTER THE REVOLUTION

As New Jersey Presbyterians were ready to support the cause of liberty at the beginning of the Revolution, so also were they ready to lead in the general program of church expansion after the war. The unanimity with which they offered their support to the struggling young national government afforded them a prestige that proved a decided advantage.⁹⁵ The year of the signing of the peace treaty with the mother country, 1783, the Synod of New York and Philadelphia congratulated its churches on "the general and almost universal attachment of the Presbyterian body to the cause of liberty and rights of mankind", requesting that Presbyterians everywhere "render thanks to Almighty God for all his mercies, spiritual and temporal".⁹⁶

Beginning during the war, the Synod urged the sending of missionaries into the back country, realizing that with expansion of the western frontier Presbyterians would have "an opportunity of promoting the interest of religious extension which in a few years" might be lost. Special emphasis was placed on the sending of that type of missionary who would be particularly adapted to teaching the young people.⁹⁷ In spite of the need for missionaries, the Synod consistently refused, in 1783 and again in 1785, to allow the licensing of ministers who lacked adequate preparation.⁹⁸

As further evidence of progress, it was determined, in 1786, to increase the number of Presbyteries from 12 to 16, and to group them into four Synods "to be subordinate to a general Assembly to be

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93. George P. Hays, Presbyterians, A Popular Narrative of Their Origin, Progress, Doctrines and Achievements, pp. 118-120.
 94. Ibid, p. 122.
 95. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, p. 343.
 96. Ibid, p. 357.
 97. Records, Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, pp. 484, 485 (see entry 2, record section, for volume of records, 1706 to 1788).
 98. Ibid, pp. 499-511.

constituted out of the whole".⁹⁹ This progress was accompanied by a vision of the advantage to be derived from grouping all Presbyterian bodies in America into a solid block.¹⁰⁰ This became too serious a task for the moment, but its impulse was a favorable portent.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ORGANIZES

One of the most historic meetings of Presbyterians was the last and final session of the Synod of New York and Philadelphia in 1788. At this meeting of great decisions, the Westminster Confession of Faith was adopted as the creed of the church, with this saving interpretation:

"There are truths and forms, with respect to which men of good characters and principles may differ. And in all these they think it the duty, both of private Christians and societies, to exercise mutual forbearance towards each other".¹⁰²

Likewise, point by point this Synod went laboriously over the Form of Government, the Book of Discipline, and the Directory of Worship.¹⁰³

Momentous was the decision to subdivide the General Synod of New York and Philadelphia into four Synods; New York and New Jersey, Philadelphia, Virginia, and the Carolinas; and out of these to establish a General Assembly.¹⁰⁴ Dr. Witherspoon was appointed to open the first meeting of the General Assembly on the third Thursday of May 1789, in the Second Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia. The four new synodical divisions were instructed to meet in their several bodies in October of 1888. The last act of the General Synod was to declare that its existence should "cease with the present meeting". When it adjourned on May 29, 1888, it adjourned sine die by its own final dissolution. Thereafter, even before its first meeting in 1789, the General Assembly was in legal existence as the highest judicatory of the church.

99. Ibid, pp. 523, 524.

100. Charles Augustus Briggs, American Presbyterianism, pp. 357-361.

101. Lefferts A. Loetscher, A Brief History of the Presbyterians, p. 48.

102. William Henry Roberts, A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., pp. 34-36; Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, pp. 62-65.

103. Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, Constitution, 1937, p. 5.

104. Records of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, pp. 517, 548 (for showing of these records see entry 2).

SPIRITUAL DECLINE AND REVIVAL

The spirit of nationalism grew very strong throughout young America during the closing years of the 18th century. Youth with its confidence and victorious assurance made the nation an easy victim for that spiritual decline that seems to follow every war, certainly every victorious war.¹⁰⁵

The General Assembly was not organized any too soon, for the close of the century brought severe tests to New Jersey pastors and others. Certain anti-religious influences were permeating the entire state. The period has frequently been referred to as the "godless age". As yet protestant churches in America had not committed themselves definitely to a temperance program. In New Jersey a few pastors were not always careful to set a perfect example in temperance. The wise leaders in the New Jersey Presbyterian churches needed all the grace of their ministry and devotion in steering their flocks safely through.¹⁰⁶

Far more insidious and more dangerous to the cause in New Jersey were the prevailing atheistic tendencies of the age. Colleges were openly encouraging students to question the old verities of religion. As early as 1782, Sweet reports that there were but two students attending the Princeton of Dickinson, Burr, and Witherspoon, who were professed Christians.¹⁰⁷ Lyman Beecher, when a student at Yale in 1795, states in his Reminiscences: "The College was in a most ungodly state. The College Church was almost extinct. Wine and liquors were kept in many rooms; intemperance, profanity, gambling, and licentiousness were common".¹⁰⁸

Chief Justice Marshall, speaking in this period of religious decline, and himself a devout Christian, declared that the church was "too far gone ever to be saved".¹⁰⁹ Challenged by the situation, New Jersey Presbyterians, strengthened by their evangelical Calvinism and by the loyal support of Synod and Assembly, fought valiantly and well to overcome this grave danger. Strong doctrinal sermons from Jersey pulpits, coupled with a growing conviction among pastors that they needed to know their young people better, were efforts pointing in the right direction. Bible Schools were added to the preaching program in numerous out-stations, and loyal leaders in every Presbyterian community served unselfishly in the campaign to remove every vestige of doubt for their youth.

105. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, p. 95.

106. Inventory of the Church Archives of New Jersey: Baptist Bodies, p. xii.

107. William Warren Sweet, The Story of Religions in America, p. 324.

108. Cited by William Warren Sweet, ibid, p. 323.

109. Ibid, p. 323.

Typical of this revival program is the experience of Timothy Dwight, elected president of Yale College in 1795. This grandson of Jonathan Edwards met his students on their own ground, and in simple, frank discussions treated such subjects as "Is the Bible the Word of God"? "The Nature and Danger of Infidel Philosophy", and many similar themes, winning the admiration of his student body. By 1802, one-third of the student body had professed conversion, others following at frequent intervals.¹¹⁰

PLAN OF UNION

A natural outgrowth of this concern of the church, accompanied by increased activity, led easily and logically into the campaign of the century for an intensive missionary growth. In 1801, the General Assembly entered into a united missionary program with the Congregational Association of Connecticut.¹¹¹ Having become an American institution, in order to strengthen itself in the first hours of democratic victory, this conservative Assembly carried on a joint program with the Trinitarian Congregationalists until 1837.¹¹²

This Connecticut General Association formed itself into a Missionary Society in 1797, preceded one year by the New York Missionary Society and the Northern Missionary Society. In 1798, the Massachusetts Missionary Society and that at Pittsgrave were organized interdenominational in service, these societies promoted fraternal cooperation. The New York Society (Presbyterian) supported for a time a Baptist Missionary to the Indians.¹¹³

In 1817, a modification of the joint missionary program was arranged under the title, United Foreign Missionary Society. This was done to include the cooperation of the Reformed Dutch and Associated Reform churches.¹¹⁴

Prior to 1812, the foreign missionary work, subscribed to by New Jersey churches under the Plan of Union was confined to the Indians and unhappy conditions on the rapidly shifting western frontier. In February of 1812, Judson, Rice, Newell, Nott, and Hall, with their families sailed for India in two parties, as the first American missionaries to a foreign land.¹¹⁵

110. William Warren Sweet, *The Story of Religions in America*, pp. 326, 327.

111. *The Presbyterian*, May 30, 1940.

112. Ernest Sutherland Bates, *American Faith*, p. 322.

113. E. Hall Gillet, *History of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America*, Vol. I, pp. 436, 437.

114. *Ibid*, Vol. II, p. 217.

115. Leonard W. Bacon, *A History of American Christianity*, pp. 248-252; Arthur Judson Brown, *One Hundred Years*, pp. 19, 20.

The special significance of the outcome of this plan of the Congregational-Presbyterian union involves the story of New Jersey churches and their progress for at least fifty years. By the end of the first quarter of the 19th century the peace of the church became disturbed by controversy respecting the Plan of Union. The more conservative element in the General Assembly, under the influence of Philadelphia, desired to establish denominational agencies, fearing loss of identity with its consequent weakening of autonomy. In 1831, the Synod of Pittsburgh established the Western Missionary Society as a distinctive denominational agency.¹¹⁶

There were, however, liberal groups in the Assembly that seriously desired to remain a party to the Plan of Union. They saw a distinct advantage to be gained from cooperation with the Congregational churches. As concrete evidence they had seen numerous instances of these, under Presbyterian pastors, led into the presbytery of their area.¹¹⁷

OLD SCHOOL, NEW SCHOOL

The Philadelphia party sponsoring denominational agencies and opposed to the Plan of Union was known as the Old School. Those favoring the continuation of the plan were known as the New School. It was inevitable that in the bitterness of controversy questions of doctrine should become involved. In 1837, the Old School majority in the General Assembly forced the matters at issue to a climax. The Plan of Union was abrogated. Resolutions were passed against interdenominational societies, and the New School Synods of Utica, Geneva, Genesee, and Northwestern Reserve were excluded. These and others sympathizing with them organized a general assembly of their own in 1838.¹¹⁸

In New Jersey geography and colonial background exerted strong influences in the period of disunion from 1837 to 1859. Almost all of West Jersey, that part of the state that lies west and south of the "dividing line", was still under the hegemony of the long established Philadelphia influence.¹¹⁹ In East Jersey, including the northern metropolitan area, sympathies were with New York and liberal ideas. Central Jersey was a battle ground for sharp differences of opinion.¹²⁰ There were those who sympathized with each side in many churches throughout New Jersey.

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116. Samuel Macauley Jackson, ed., The New Shaff-Herzog Encyclopaedia of Religious Knowledge, Vol. IX, p. 227.
117. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, pp. 98, 99.
118. Samuel Macauley Jackson, ed., The New Shaff-Herzog Encyclopaedia of Religious Knowledge, Vol. IX, p. 227. See also entry 1.
119. Inventory of the Church Archives of New Jersey: Baptist Bodies, p. xxi.
120. For this influence in the Presbytery of Burlington see entry 237.

Realizing the defeatism of such a program with two General Assemblies, New School synods and Old School synods, New School presbyteries and Old School presbyteries, after prayer and conferences, both Assemblies met in New York in the spring of 1869 and voted for union. The presbyteries ratified this decision, and the two Assemblies met in Pittsburgh the following November of the same year. The Old School group assembled in the historic First Church the New School group in the Third Church. Both Assemblies declared themselves dissolved at the hour of ten A. M. In parallel columns the delegates marched along Wood Street. Reaching fifth Avenue, the two Moderators, Dr. Melancthon Jacobus of the Old School, and Dr. Philemon Fowler of the New School shook hands. This was a general signal for fraternal greetings between the groups, and once more harmony was restored. With arms locked the erstwhile differences were forgotten as the united body of delegates marched into the Third Church and organized the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.¹²¹

NEW JERSEY PRESBYTERIES

The reorganization program incident to reunion was of vital interest to all of the New Jersey churches. With the organization of most New Jersey Presbyterian churches into the Synod of New Jersey, in 1823, coordination of state-wide presbyterial interests was promoted.¹²² When the Presbytery of West Jersey transferred its affiliation from the Synod of Philadelphia to that of New Jersey, in 1843, the coordination was complete.¹²³ In 1870, with Old School and New School differences laid aside, a new era of progress was opened.

In 1733, the Presbytery of East Jersey was organized, the first group of churches in the state to sever connection with the mother presbytery in Philadelphia. In 1738, two further important steps were taken, one producing a merger of New York and New Jersey churches, the other promoting New Jersey identity: the former representing the merging of the Presbyteries of Long Island and East Jersey, the latter the setting up of the Presbytery of New Brunswick.¹²⁴ Out of the Presbytery of New York, including East Jersey churches, the Presbytery of Jersey was formed in 1809.¹²⁵ In 1824, the Synod of New Jersey, in session at Morristown, dissolved the Presbytery of Jersey, and out of its churches and ministers the two Presbyteries of Newark and Elizabethtown were formed.¹²⁶ The story of the organization and reorganization of the

121. The Presbyterian, Vol. CX, No. 22, p. 9.

122. See entry 2.

123. See entry 159.

124. See entry 3.

125. Presbytery of New York, Hand-Book of the Presbytery of New York, 1903-1904, pp. 4-7.

126. Presbytery of Newark, Manual of the Presbytery of Newark, 1925, p. 1.

other Presbyteries in the state of New Jersey will be found in the entries introducing their groups of churches.¹²⁷

There are nine presbyteries that make up the Synod of New Jersey. Only eight cover the geographical area of the state itself, the ninth, the Presbytery of Cuba, being attached to the Synod of New Jersey according to the policy of the Board of National Missions of the General Assembly.¹²⁸

PRESBYTERIAN POLITY

Presbyterial growth in the Synod of New Jersey, as throughout the world, has been implemented not only by the strength of a humanized Calvinism, but by a polity. This polity is a system of church government which rejects both the rule of one man, and the rule of the "extemporized assembly". Yet it definitely upholds the right of self-government through delegated authority, which recognizes the parity of lay worker with clergy.¹²⁹ Presbyterians believe in a personal liberty under powers they hold to be ordained of God.¹³⁰

The Presbyterian system did not come into its present form without development, patient study, adjustments, and determined resistance to opposition.¹³¹ Its government is conducted by four courts representing ever widening circles.

The local court is the session of the local congregation or church. It is composed of elders elected by the entire congregation. The minister of the church is the teaching elder and moderator of this court. Its function is to safeguard the spiritual welfare and program of the local congregation, as well as exercise disciplinary authority.

The next court of authority is the presbytery with power to grant license and ordination, or to withdraw them. The presbytery is responsible for the oversight and refilling of vacant charges. The review of session rulings is also its responsibility, when necessary. Under usual proceedings, acts of presbytery are submitted in reports to the synod, the next higher court. It is also in the power of the presbytery to present a question direct to the General Assembly

127. See entries 3, 54, 98, 159, 237, 307, 359, 422.

128. Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, Minutes of the General Assembly, 1939, Part I, pp. 897, 898.

129. William Moore, Introduction in George P. Hays, Presbyterians - A Popular Narrative of their Origin, Progress, Doctrines and Achievements, p. 13; Jacob Harris Patton, A Popular History of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, p. 18.

130. Ibid, pp. 14, 31.

131. James Hastings, ed., Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, Vol. X, p. 268.

Conversely, the legislative acts of the General Assembly must be submitted to all the Presbyteries within its bounds for approval of the majority. This appears to place supreme power in presbytery. This court is composed of delegates, called presbyters, consisting of a minister and an elder from each church in its area.

The next court in the ever widening circle is the synod. This court is composed of the sum of its presbyteries, and opens its circle to a minister and an elder from each neighboring synod as corresponding members. The synod reviews reports of its presbyteries, may notify presbyteries of missions or irregularities, coordinates the presbyterial support of all church boards whose general programs are supervised by the General Assembly (entry 1). Subject to the constitution of the church, the General Assembly has unlimited power. Through the presbyteries each congregation is represented in the Assembly.¹³² It is composed of an equal number of ministers and laymen (elders) from each presbytery in the United States, elected by means of proportional representation. The Assembly decides all matters relating to doctrine and discipline. It erects new synods, is the court of last resort, and from its decisions there are no appeals.

ORGANIZATIONS OF THE CHURCH

The four great official boards of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, in chronological order of their genesis, are:

Board of Pensions¹³³
Board of National Missions¹³⁴
Board of Christian Education¹³⁵
Board of Foreign Missions¹³⁶

These boards incorporate the great complex and interrelated programs of the church. Their organization and stories, as briefly told in the entries cited (see footnotes below), demonstrate the business efficiency with which the church approaches its problems today.¹³⁷ Through the machinery of these boards, and by the addition of Chapter XXIII to the Form of Government the authority of the church has been strengthened, and centralization necessary for efficient operation has been effected.¹³⁸

132. Ibid, Vol. X, p. 267.

133. See entry 482.

134. See entry 483.

135. See entry 484.

136. See entry 485.

137. The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, General Assembly Minutes, Board Reports, pp. 459 sq.

138. Ibid, 1907, pp. 177-182; Ibid, 1923, pp. 95-100.

THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

The importance of Log College in the story of Presbyterian growth lies as much in the impulse it gave to education generally, as in the fact that it was the forerunner of Princeton.¹³⁹ Samuel Blair, John Rogers, James Finley, and Robert Smith, with numerous other graduates of Tennent's school, carried the mission in ever widening circles. These and equally determined leaders of the generation following William Tennent opened similar schools in the frontier outposts where their ministry led them.¹⁴⁰ A number of these grew into ranking institutions during the 19th century.¹⁴¹ Washington and Jefferson College in the Presbytery of Redstone is a worthy example.

So persistent was the growth of this campaign for higher and religious education for the Presbyterian ministry and leaders, that from 1782 to 1850, at least 30 colleges were established by Presbyterians.¹⁴²

PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Great Awakening greatly increased the demand for more ministers. Since the church has never weakened in its insistence on adequate training for its leaders, the answer in the New Jersey of that century was found in the establishment of the College of New Jersey (p. 23). In like manner, the growth of the church resulting from its strategic progress throughout the post-Revolutionary period, its commanding leadership and consequent expansion as a result of the revival experiences in the opening decade of the 19th century, all served to create a dearth of trained ministers.

In 1809, the attention of the General Assembly was directed to the need of a special institution where Presbyterian ministers could receive the particular type of training they would need.¹⁴³ The idea was warmly received by the great Presbyterian body, and a committee consisting of eight ministers and three laymen, of which President Dwight of Yale College was chairman, was appointed to consider it. The favorable recommendations of the committee were adopted. In 1811, Princeton College was chosen as the location for the Seminary. The Seminary was formally opened in August of the following year.¹⁴⁴

139. William Warren Sweet, Religion on the American Frontier, p. 70.

140. Ibid, p. 71.

141. Ibid, p. 71, footnote; see also forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of Pennsylvania: Presbyterians.

142. Donald G. Tewksbury, Founding of American Colleges and Universities Before the Civil War (New York, 1932), pp. 93, 94.

143. George P. Hays, Presbyterians, p. 272; Princeton Theological Seminary, Catalogue, 1939-1940, pp. 10-13.

144. James W. Alexander, Life of Archibald Alexander, pp. 314 sq.; see also entry 477.

BLOOMFIELD COLLEGE AND SEMINARY

Consistent with the ever increasing enthusiasm of the church in New Jersey for special theological training for its young men, and in step with the parallel progress of revival and education in the early 19th century, a group of members of the Presbyterian Church at Bloomfield sponsored the organization of Bloomfield Academy in 1807.¹⁴⁵

In 1868, the Presbytery of Newark opened the "German Theological School". This was in no sense to become a competitor of Princeton Theological Seminary. Its primary objective was the education of a suitable ministry for the German people of the vicinity, who needed a bilingual ministry. In 1872 the school was moved to the Bloomfield Academy, retaining its own name until 1912, when it was renamed Bloomfield Theological Seminary. Again in 1931, with added emphasis upon higher scholastic training, a full four year college course was developed in addition to the seminary program, and the institution received its present name.¹⁴⁶

FOREIGN LANGUAGE CHURCHES

The Synod of New Jersey was a pioneer in the field of church cooperation with the national program of Americanization. In 1906, in addition to 20 German language Presbyterian churches in New Jersey, there were reported 5 Hungarian churches, 4 Italian churches and missions, 2 Armenian churches, and 2 Syrian churches. The twenty-five foreign language churches now receiving aid from the Synod's funds represent a very important part of the home mission activity of the Synod's National Mission program.¹⁴⁷

The aims of the Presbyterian foreign language churches in New Jersey are

1. To form a bridge from the church school to active church membership.
2. To attract the young people of the community who do not attend church.
3. To educate young people as to their church responsibilities in a Christian land.
4. To amalgamate the younger and the older people of these foreign language groups, leading both

145. See entry 478.

146. Bloomfield College and Seminary, Catalogue, 1939-1940, pp. 7, 8.

147. Note: In each Presbytery section of this inventory, foreign language churches are so designated in entry title.

groups, without friction, toward complete Christian Americanization.¹⁴⁸

PAN-PRESBYTERIAN GOAL

It will be impossible, in so brief a sketch, to even introduce all of the great organizations and movements of the Presbyterian Church of today. Among those that have received 20th century emphasis is the Pan-Presbyterian Alliance. In 1876, the Alliance of the Reformed Churches Throughout the World Holding the Presbyterian System was organized.¹⁴⁹ This Alliance meets once every four years, alternating between the Old World and the Americas. The last meeting was held in Montreal in June of 1937.¹⁵⁰ Intra-Presbyterian fellowship and growth throughout the world has been promoted.

In 1903, a Committee on Church Cooperation and Union was appointed by the General Assembly. As a result of the work of this committee, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church became an affiliating part of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America in 1906. This merger represents the significant trend of the 20th century.¹⁵¹

In 1918 the General Assembly went on record, declaring itself as favoring organic union of all evangelical churches.¹⁵² Discussions are still open with the General Conference of the Methodist Church, and the United Presbyterian Church of North America.¹⁵³ In all of the movements and discussions the Synod of New Jersey has taken an active part.

The United Presbyterian Church of North America is represented in New Jersey by a small group of vigorous churches, having affiliation with the Presbytery of the Hudson.¹⁵⁴

In the 260 years of Presbyterianism in New Jersey many changes have taken place. With the passing of the years, people and conditions have greatly changed. Having lost some of its functions, the church has gained almost countless new responsibilities and duties. With all of these changes has come an incomparable opportunity for the Calvinists of the school of Dickinson, Burr, Tennent, and Alexander.¹⁵⁵

148. William P. Shriner, Director, After Two Hundred and Sixty-Five Years, p. 12.

149. Robert Ellis Thompson, A History of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, p. 202.

150. Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, General Assembly Minutes, 1937, p. 251.

151. William Thomson Hanzsche, The Presbyterians, p. 115.

152. Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, General Assembly Minutes, 1918, p. 154.

153. Ibid, 1929, pp. 248-252; 1934, p. 47; 1935, pp. 272, 273.

154. For narrative treatment of this body of Presbyterians see entries 486-500.

155. Cordie J. Culp, Two Hundred Years, p. 36.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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General Arrangement

The records of the General Assembly for the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. are listed first, followed by Synod records, then Presbyteries with the churches within the jurisdiction of each, the institutions and organizations, arranged chronologically by dates of organization. Where more than one church was organized in a presbytery in a given year, these were arranged alphabetically by name of the church.

This arrangement has been followed in each presbytery, and in the section allocated to the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

Date of Organization

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The compilers have given the earliest date for which there is evidence of a service of this denomination conducted by a clergyman at a definite time and location either in residences, rented buildings, or established houses of worship. Either is considered a sufficient indication of worship by an organized congregation, although the date in many cases is only approximate.

Closed, dissolved, extinct, or merged churches retain their identities and were set up as separate entries.

Records

In the records of churches, a few of the earlier dates are given to conform to the old or Julian calendar. With the change in America and England to the Gregorian calendar, on the third of September, 1752, September 3d became September 14th. January 1st, instead of March 25th, became the beginning of each new year. A very slight discrepancy in dates may sometimes appear because of the change.

Where entries show no records, this condition is the result of lack of cooperation of officials in charge; or in the case of closed or extinct churches, they are lost, destroyed, or in private collections.

Wherever full names of owners of former meeting places and their locations, or full names, tenures, and educational background of clergymen were disclosed to the compilers, they are incorporated. This also holds true in reference to authors of publications, manuscripts, place, name of publishers or printers, dates, total number of pages, or cited page numbers, dates and number of volumes of church or organization records in bank vaults or in custodians' hands within or without the borders of New Jersey.

Deeds to property are sometimes held in the name of a Board of Presbytery instead of the individual church. This is particularly true of dependent outstations and organizations. Prior to the passing of the law of 1787, for the incorporation of religious organizations, church property was commonly held in the name of trustees or of an individual acting as trustee. Citations of recordings of articles of incorporation, certificate for change of name, change in number of trustees or of stated meetings, declaration of trust, wills, and deeds are given when disclosed to the compilers.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

[illegible]

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY

1. GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1789--. Rev. William Barrow Pugh, D. D., Stated Clerk, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

As early as 1785, actuated by a recognized need for closer cooperation among the Presbyteries of the denomination, and in response to a wave of nationalism spreading throughout young America, the Synod of New York and Philadelphia discussed the organization of a General Assembly. In 1788, this synod completed the organization of a General Assembly, setting up four synods: New York and New Jersey, Philadelphia, Virginia, and the Carolinas. These four synods of the newly established General Assembly included 16 presbyteries, 419 churches, 177 ministers, and 111 probationers.

The first General Assembly met in Philadelphia in May 1789. The Second Presbyterian Church was the host of the Assembly, and Dr. John Witherspoon was its first moderator; Rev. George Duffield, D. D., was the first stated clerk.

In 1837, disagreements on doctrine and church government divided the Presbyterian Church. The New School Church and the Old School Church each held separate General Assemblies until the reunion in 1869. Following this reunion, a reorganization program subdivided the church into 34 synods. There are at present 42 synods.

In 1940, the annual meeting of the General Assembly was held in the Central Presbyterian Church of Rochester, N. Y. The moderator was Rev. William Lindsay Young, D. D., LL. D., President of Park College, Mo.; the stated clerk was Rev. William Barrow Pugh, D. D.

For records of the General Assembly not listed below, see Joseph B. Turner, A Catalogue of the Manuscript Records in the Presbyterian Historical Society, in Journal of Presbyterian Historical Society, Vol. VIII (1915). See also the forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of Pennsylvania: Presbyterian Church in U. S. A.

The following records are in custody of the Princeton Theological Seminary:

Minutes of the General Assembly, 1789-1867, 11 vols.; Extracts from the Minutes of the General Assembly (Reprints), 1803-20, 18 pamphlets; Minutes and Reports (General Assembly), 1850-88, 39 vols.; Minutes of the General Assembly, 1851-58, 2 vols.; Minutes of the General Assembly (with an appendix), 1868, 1869, 2 vols.; 1870-1921, 52 vols.; General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, Reports of the Boards, 1889-1921, 33 vols.; Minutes of the General Assembly, Part I, Journal; Part II, Statistics; Part II, Board Reports, 1922, 3 vols.; General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, 1923, 1 vol. Ptd.

General Assembly

Acts and Proceedings of the General Assembly (Reprints, 1789-1802, 14 pamphlets.

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Old School

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New School

Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. New School. General Assembly Minutes, 1838-50, 1 vol.; Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee Ad Interim of the General Assembly, 1840-42, 1 vol. Ms. Minutes of the General Assembly, New School, 1859-69, 2 vols.; Documents pertaining to the acts of excision, 1837, and the organization of the Assembly, 1838, and the law suit. Ms. 1 folder; Plans for organizing the Assembly, 1838. Ms. 1 folder. Proposal for pre-assembly conference, 1838. Ms. and ptd. 1 folder. Commission of the Commissioners. Ms. on engraved certificates, 1838, 1 folder; Documents, 1838, Ms. and ptd. 1 folder; 1839, 1840, 1843, Mss. 3 folders; Memorials and Resolutions on Slavery, 1840, Ms. 1 folder; 1843, Ms. 1 folder; Correspondence of Rev. Erskine Mason of New York in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Green and others, 1843. Ms. 1 folder; Documents, 1857, 1863, 1869, Mss. 3 folders; Annual Reports of Church Erection Fund, 1857, 1866 (1868, Individual Contributions). Mss. 3 folders.

Reunion

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church - Reunion (overture on Reunion: The Reports of the Joint Committee of the two General Assemblies of 1866-67, and of the Special Committee of the New School General Assembly of 1868), 1866-67, 1 vol. Ptd.

Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. General Assembly, October 25th to November 3, 1869. 8 vols. Testimony before the committee of the General Assembly investigating the Northwestern Theological Seminary.

2. THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY, 1823--. Rev. Cordie J. Culp, Ph. D., D. D., Stated Clerk, 58 Bayard Street, New Brunswick.

The First synod of Presbyterian churches of colonial America met for organization at Philadelphia in 1717. Presbyteries representing

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churches in New York, Long Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland sent delegates to this organization meeting. Following a rift among the Presbyteries, developing in 1741 over presbytery authority, the Synod of New York was organized in 1745. This synod granted to its constituent presbyteries more authority, and came to be known as "New Side" in contrast with the more conservative polity of the Philadelphia Synod. It is significant that these Philadelphia and New York Synods combined in 1758.

In the same year that the General Assembly was organized, 1788, the New York and New Jersey churches were regrouped in the New York and New Jersey Synod. This synodical meeting plan of the presbyteries concerned continued until 1823, when the Synod of New Jersey was organized.

Upon the organization of this synod there were four presbyteries in the state: East Jersey Presbytery, organized in 1733 when the Philadelphia Presbytery divided itself for the second time, and combining with the Presbytery of Long Island as the Presbytery of New York in 1738; the Presbytery of Jersey, set up in 1808; the Presbytery of New Brunswick (entry 3), which was organized in 1738; and the Newton Presbytery (entry 54), organized in 1817. The West Jersey Presbytery (entry 159) was not set up until 1839; the churches of that area continuing to meet with the Philadelphia Presbytery until 1839, and were not accepted into the New Jersey Synod until 1843.

In the year following the organization of the Synod of New Jersey, the Presbyteries of Elizabethtown and Newark were established, the old Jersey Presbytery, 1808-24, being eliminated.

The first meeting of the Synod of New Jersey was held at Newark, in the First Presbyterian Church, in October 1823. Rev. Archibald Alexander, D. D., of the New Brunswick Presbytery, was the first moderator; Rev. Philip C. Hay was the first stated clerk.

The last meeting of the Synod was held in Atlantic City, in October 1939. Rev. David W. Berry, D. D., of the West Jersey Presbytery, was the moderator; Rev. Cordie J. Culp, Ph. D., D. D., was the stated clerk.

The Synod of New Jersey records listed below are to be found in the Princeton Theological Seminary Library, temporary custodian of New Jersey Presbyterian Archives. All other records that are extant can be found in the Presbyterian Historical Society, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Records of Presbyterian Churches in New Jersey prior to formation of the Synod of New Jersey, (embracing

Minutes of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, 1706-16;
Minutes of the Synod of Philadelphia, 1717-58;

Synod of New Jersey

Minutes of the Synod of New York, 1745-58;

Minutes of the Synod of New York and Philadelphia, 1758-88;

all of which constitute a documentary history of the Presbyterian Church in the United States from its origin in 1706, to the formation of the General Assembly in 1788), 1 vol. Ptd. 548 pp.

Minutes, Synod of New Jersey, 1835-67, 1870--, 59 vols. (1868-69, missing); Minutes, Synod of New Jersey, 1866-75, 1 vol., in custody of Dr. Culp; Minutes, Synod of New Jersey, 1884-1911, 28 vols.; Minutes of the Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey, 1900-1932, 1 pkg.; Treasurer's Book, Synod of New Jersey, 1835-92, 1 vol.; Cash Account of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey, 1892-1906. 1 pkg.

Minutes of the Church Extension Committee of the Synod of New Jersey, 1873-83. 1 vol.

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PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

3. PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, 1738--. Rev. Elmer Walker, Stated Clerk, R. F. D. 1, Trenton.

The Presbytery of Philadelphia, the original Presbytery of the denomination in America, was constituted in 1706. The East Jersey Presbytery was set off from the Philadelphia Presbytery in 1733. When the East Jersey and Long Island Presbyteries were merged into the Presbytery of New York, in 1738, the Presbytery of New Brunswick was organized to include

"all to the northward and westward of Maidenhead and Hopewell and into the Raritan River, including also Staten Island, Piscatua, Amboy, Bound Brook, Basking Ridge, Turkey, Rocksitiens, Pequally, and Crosswicks."¹

The active influence of the Rev. Gilbert Tennent in this area, as pastor of the New Brunswick Presbyterian Church from 1726, accounts for the name given the newly formed Presbytery. The original source and center of discussions and differences underlying the division of the denomination into Old Side and New Side, the Presbytery of New Brunswick early broke with the Synod of Philadelphia and joined the new Synod of New York in 1745.

One of the greatest contributions of this presbytery has been in the field of education. William Tennent, Jonathan Dickinson, Samuel Davies, Gilbert Tennent, and John Witherspoon are names Presbyterians can never forget. The outstanding courage of these pioneers has visited itself upon the Presbytery of New Brunswick today.

The first moderator of this presbytery was Rev. John Cross; Rev. Samuel Blair was the first clerk. The present Stated Clerk of Presbytery is Rev. Elmer Walker. There are five stated meetings each year.

Presbytery Records, 1738--, 18 vols., in custody of Rev. Elmer Walker, Stated Clerk, R. F. D. 1, Trenton. (1738-1798, 8 vols., in transcription; originals, 4 vols., in Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia.)

4. BOUND BROOK CHURCH, 1688--. Corner Union and Mountain Avenues, Bound Brook, Somerset County.

Scotch Presbyterians, driven from their home land by religious persecutors, settled along the north bank of the Raritan River and west

1. Presbytery Records, vol. 1, p. 6.

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of Bound Brook in 1684. Preliminary meetings were held in a log house of worship among the willows on the river bank (now Main and East Streets), where organization was effected in 1688. Services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Romaine, a French Huguenot, who had fled to Scotland to escape persecution, and had come to America in response to a call from the Scotch colonists of this vicinity. Here he served as stated supply and missionary. Services continued here until 1725, when the log church was replaced by a second house of worship.

A third house of worship was erected on the same site in 1760. Incorporated by an act of the legislature in 1784, the congregation enlarged these quarters in 1787. In 1829 a fourth structure was erected and dedicated; enlarged in 1851; and destroyed by fire in 1896. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1898, on the present site which was purchased two years earlier.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tall square spire, bell, and cathedral windows. Prior to 1886 the manse was erected on Main Street; moved to present site on Union Avenue in 1886, and was renovated in 1938. Sunday School classes are conducted on the second floor of the annex, which was erected adjacent to the church in 1923.

Rev. Mr. Romaine served this church from 1688 to 1742. The present pastor is Rev. William W. Rock, Union Avenue.

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5. LAWRENCEVILLE CHURCH, 1698--. Main Street, Lawrenceville,
Mercer County.

This is one of the oldest Presbyterian churches in the county. The first tract of land for a meeting house, school, and burying ground was granted by agents of the West Jersey Society to this congregation when they organized in 1698. This land was not in the village but along the Rosedale Road, and was exchanged for the present site in 1710. Here the first church, a log structure, was erected in 1711. A new church was erected and dedicated in 1764. Incorporation ensued in 1787, and the church became known as the Presbyterian Church in the township of Maidenhead. In 1820, the township name was changed to Lawrence, the village became Lawrenceville, and the church from then on was known as the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. Isaac V. Brown, pastor of the church in 1810, opened a school in his home for nine boys. This was the beginning of the now nationally known Lawrenceville School. The manse adjoining the church on Main Street was a gift of Mr. Jasper Smith in 1809. Additional property was purchased from Messrs. Samuel D. and Joseph Mershon in 1867 and 1884.

The present church is a brick structure of colonial architecture, with tower, weather-vane, and plain windows. The building was enlarged on two occasions, 1833 and 1853.

Rev. Robert Orr, educated in Glasgow, Scotland, served this church from 1715 to 1719. The present pastor is Rev. Parke Richards, residing in the manse on Main Street.

The Two Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of
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New Brunswick, Chairman of the Committee on
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6. EWING CHURCH, 1709--. Scotch Road, Ewing Township,
Mercer County.

Reputed to be one of the oldest Presbyterian churches in New Jersey, its site was a place of worship several years prior to the organization in 1709, at which time land was conveyed by Mr. Alexander Lockhart. Preliminary services were held in residences. The first log church was erected in 1712. The second church, a frame structure erected in 1795, was renovated in 1839, and remained in use until 1867, when it was taken down and the present church erected. The manse, a threestory red brick building, was built opposite the church in 1880, on land purchased the same year. The Sunday School building was erected in 1906. Other tracts of land were purchased between 1842-1940, enlarging the church property.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with steeple and cathedral windows.

Rev. Robert Orr, educated in Glasgow, Scotland, served this church from 1712 to 1720. The present pastor is Rev. Elmer Walker, R. F. D., Trenton.

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7. PENNINGTON CHURCH, 1709--. South Main Street, Pennington, Mercer County.

This church was organized in 1709, as the First Presbyterian Church of the Township of Hopewell, when Pennington bore the name Queenstown. First services were conducted in a schoolhouse located on part of the present site, the part which the burying ground now occupies. The first church, a frame structure, was erected in 1724, near the center of the graveyard. The second church was a substantial brick structure, erected in 1765. Incorporation ensued in 1786. When the Hopewell Presbyterian Church (entry 38) was organized in 1877, this church became known as the First Presbyterian Church of Pennington. A third church was erected in 1848. In January 1874, fire destroyed the church, which was immediately rebuilt in May of the same year, and dedicated in 1875. The manse adjacent to the church was built in 1923.

The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. An annex, called Titus Hall, was erected in 1927, and is used by the Sunday School.

Rev. Robert Orr, educated in Glasgow, Scotland, served this church from 1716 to 1719. The present pastor is Rev. A. Kenneth Magner, South Main Street.

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8. FIRST CHURCH, 1712--. 114 East State Street, Trenton, Mercer County.

The establishment of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton is closely allied with the beginnings of Presbyterianism in America and particularly in New Jersey. The First Presbyterian Church of Trenton was given a charter by George II, King of England. There were many Presbyterians in this section, and immigrants of Scotch and Scotch-Irish greatly added to the number. People from miles around would gather in schoolrooms, residences, or in the open to worship.

Churches were gradually established in Ewing, Pennington, Hopewell, Lawrenceville, and Trenton. They were dependent upon the missionary preachers, and often different groups were ministered to by the

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same minister. In 1726, a division between town and country was made and two churches were built. The one in the country was called the Ewing Church (entry 6); the one in town, this Presbyterian Church of Trenton.

To the Presbyterians belongs the honor of erecting the first house of worship in Trenton. In 1726, a site was purchased, and a small one story stone church was erected the following year. Incorporation took place in 1756. As the town grew, the congregation increased, additional land was purchased, and plans were made to build a larger church. The Old Stone Church, nearly eighty years old, was torn down in 1805, to make room for its successor, the cornerstone of which was laid April 15 of that year.

The second church was completed in 1806. This was a two story brick structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, with tower, and tall steeple. In 1816, a Sunday School was first started as an interdenominational project, but so quickly outgrew its original conception that the organization of a separate Presbyterian Sunday School was necessary.

For one hundred and thirty years following 1712, the First Church was the only Presbyterian Church in Trenton. The city developed to such an extent that the need for more churches was felt. Five new Presbyterian churches in Trenton were established; the Second Church in 1842 (entry 25), the Third Church in 1849 (entry 30), the Fourth Church in 1858 (entry 31), and Fifth Church in 1874 (entry 36), and the Prospect Street Church in 1875 (entry 37). In 1887, the East Trenton Presbyterian Church (entry 42), was established, organized, financed, and ministered to by members of the First Church.

The present house of worship was erected in 1840, and dedicated the same year. The previous two buildings had been erected on the southwestern corner of the church property. When the cornerstone was laid for the present church on May 2, 1839, the structure was so planned that it would occupy the center of the site. The church is a stuccoed structure of Federal type of architecture, with tower, bell, and small paned windows. In 1870, the church was renovated and altered, and brought to its present state. The manse, a three story structure located at 26 Richey Place, was purchased from Mr. Walter C. Slack in 1925.

Rev. David Cowell, a graduate of Harvard College, served this church from 1736 to 1760. Dr. John Hall, who served this church from 1841 to 1884, had among his collection of unique books, a rare first edition of the famed "Isaac Collins Bible", of which Dr. Hall was one of the revisers. The present pastor is the Rev. Edward A. Morris, 26 Richey Place.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: The original charter granted by George II, King of England, is in vault at Trenton Banking Company, Trenton. Deeds, vol. A T, folio 103, 114, in vault of Secretary of State, State House, Trenton; Mercer County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 569, p. 375.

9. FIRST CHURCH, 1726--. George and Paterson Streets, New Brunswick, Middlesex County.

Although 1726 is given as the organization of this church, historians claim services were held prior to this date. The first church erected in 1727 (circa), at 141 Burnet Street, was a small wooden structure. This edifice was used as barracks and stable during the American Revolution until it was destroyed by the British. Land for the second church was purchased at George and Barrack Streets (now Paterson) in 1784, at which time the second church was erected and the congregation incorporated by an act of the legislature.

This church became known as the Old Yellow Church. The manse, a three story dwelling, was erected in 1827. A chapel was erected on

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George Street in 1832, but later removed to Berdine's corner and known as Union Chapel.

In 1835 the church was torn down and a new building was erected and dedicated in 1836. The church was badly damaged by fire in 1888; repairs were made at once, with a rededication the following year. The chapel was sold in 1921. In 1922, ground was broken for the Community House, adjacent to the church, which was dedicated in 1923.

The church is a brownstone structure of Grecian architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Gilbert Tennent, tutored by his father, served from 1726 to 1743. The present pastor is the Rev. Cordie J. Culp, 58 Bayard Street. Dr. Culp is also Stated Clerk of the New Jersey Synod.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Incorporation, 8 session, 2 sitting, Statutes, vol. 6, p. 649; Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 33, p. 188.

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10. KINGSTON CHURCH, 1732--. Lincoln Highway, Kingston, Somerset County.

This church was organized in 1732. First services were conducted in a log cabin on Lincoln Highway, about where the present church is located. The second church was erected on the same site in 1792. Incorporation ensued in 1799. The present church and manse sites, located on Lincoln Highway, were purchased from Mr. Elisha Stout in 1852, and both structures were erected that year.

The church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the main auditorium.

Rev. Elisha Wales, a graduate of Yale College, New Haven, served this church from 1732 to 1750. The present pastor is Rev. Van Dyke Wight, Snowden Lane.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Somerset County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 153; Deeds, vol. S, p. 400; vol. Y, p. 432; vol. O 2, pp. 348, 350; vol. Y 11, p. 449; vol. N 10, p. 137; vol. J 2, p. 225.

11. KINGWOOD CHURCH, 1737-1895. Extinct. Kingwood, Kingwood Township, Hunterdon County.

This congregation was organized in 1737, but when their first church was erected is not known. History implies they worshiped, until 1752, in a crude structure on or near the present location, until unfit for further use. A petition was sent to Presbytery in 1752, for

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permission to build a meeting house. This permission was granted and plans were made for the new church.

In 1754, a tract of land was purchased for a church site from Mr. Lawrence Hoff. Their deed granted liberty to the ministers of the "Low Dutch Calvinistical persuasion to preach and perform divine service in the new church, when not in use by this congregation". In 1755, the new church was completed. In 1837, the building was razed, and the present one erected that year. Incorporation ensued in 1837. For years the church was without a regular pastor and closed in 1895.

The church is a plain stone structure, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Hanna served this church from 1763 to 1801.

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Organized in 1738, this church was served by stated supplies until 1751, when a resident pastor was secured. The first building erected was situated between Reaville and Ringoes, on land which the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, on the Old York Road, now occupies. This was a frame structure and remained in use for 100 years. In 1838, the present church site was purchased from Mr. Jacob Williamson, and a new church erected a mile distant from the old church. Much of the lumber of the old building was used in the construction of the new church.

In 1810, this church formed a union and incorporated with the German Reformed Church at Larison Corner, now the United First Presbyterian Congregation of Amwell (entry 18). During this period one settled pastor served these two churches and also the Second Church at Mt. Airy (entry 15). In 1818, the trustees of the two united churches, split over a desire of part of the congregation to construct one new church to serve both congregations. This caused the union to be dissolved, the Larison Corner Church retaining the Corporate name and the First Amwell resuming its original title. In 1883, a fund was raised to be used for modernizing and improving the building. Reincorporation ensued in 1937.

This church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture,

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with belfry and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Elijah Byram, a graduate of Harvard College, served this church from 1751 to 1754. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Scherrel, a student at Princeton Theological Seminary.

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Record of incorporations and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 176; 4, p. 48; Deeds, vol. 71, p. 354.

13. ALEXANDRIA FIRST CHURCH, 1747--. Durham Road, Mt. Pleasant, Hunterdon County.

This church was organized and admitted to Presbytery in 1752. Just where the first services of this congregation were held is not known, but their first church was erected in 1795, on a site now used as a cemetery, opposite the present church. This was a small frame structure. Property was purchased in 1843, and the present church and adjoining manse were erected during that year. Incorporation ensued in 1919. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with tower, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Thomas Lewis, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1747 to 1761. The present pastor is Rev. Raymond Pitman, Durham Road.

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Record of Incorporation and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 242; Deeds, vol. 85, pp. 131-137.

14. FIRST CHURCH, 1751-- . Nassau Street, Princeton, Mercer County.

This congregation held services as early as 1751, but were not formally organized until 1786. Services from 1751 to 1766 were held in the Chapel at Nassau Hall. The present site was purchased by the congregation in 1761, and the cornerstone of the church was laid during that year. The structure was not completed nor occupied until 1766. Incorporation ensued in 1786. The stated supply pastors for this church from 1756 to 1795 were the presidents of Princeton College, namely, Aaron Burr, Jonathan Edwards, Samuel Davies, Samuel Finley, and John Witherspoon. The church was occupied by the British in 1776, and by the Continental troops in 1777. The only interruption in services occurred during the Revolutionary War, or when new churches were erected after they had been destroyed by fire in 1813 and 1835. The manse at 26 Library Place was purchased in 1861.

The church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Samuel Finley Snowden, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, and a student for the ministry under Dr. John Witherspoon, served this church from 1795 to 1801. The present pastor is Rev. Frank Sergeant Niles, 26 Library Place.

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15. SECOND CHURCH OF AMWELL, 1754--, Mt. Airy, Hunterdon County.

In 1754, Presbyterians living in the vicinity bordering on the Delaware River, petitioned Presbytery to grant the privilege of building a church. This petition met with favor and a church was erected at Mt. Airy during that year. In 1810, property on Old York Road was purchased and the manse erected. The church was rebuilt in 1817. Incorporation ensued in 1877.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic type of architecture, with tower and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church proper.

Rev. Benjamin Hait, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, served this church from 1755 to 1765. The present pastor is Rev. David A. Searfoss, Old York Road, R. F. D. #1, Lambertville.

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16. FIRST CHURCH, 1776--. Nottingham Way, Hamilton Square, Mercer County.

Erected in 1776, on the south side of Nottingham Way, the first church was rebuilt in 1837. The village was known as Nottingham Square until 1842, when the names of both the village and the church were changed to Hamilton Square and the Hamilton Square Presbyterian Church respectively. A new church site was purchased in 1856; and in 1876, a new church was dedicated. Incorporation ensued in 1876. Additional property was purchased in 1873 and in 1894. The congregation reincorporated in 1906. The manse, located on Main Street and Herbert Avenue, was purchased in 1916. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

The church is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. George Faitoute served this church from 1779 to 1788. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Lennox, Main Street and Herbert Avenue.

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17. FLEMINGTON CHURCH, 1791--. Main Street Flemington, Hunterdon County.

Prior to the organization of this church in 1791, Presbyterians in this locality worshiped at the First Church of Amwell (entry 12). In the latter part of the eighteenth century, steps were taken to erect a house of worship here. Preliminary services were conducted in the Baptist Church in Flemington. In 1792, incorporation ensued and the congregation purchased the present site upon which a church was erected.

In 1848, it was decided that a larger structure was necessary and the second church was erected on the same site. The congregation rapidly increased. The need for a still larger church led to the erection of the present structure which was completed and dedicated in 1883. In 1870, property was purchased at 146 Main Street, upon which the manse was erected the following year.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, steeple, bell, and cathedral windows. In the latter part of the nineteenth century a chapel was built in the rear of the church for use of the Sunday School.

Rev. Thomas Grant, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, Princeton, served this church from 1791 to 1809. The present pastor is Rev. Sargent M. Bush, 146 Main Street.

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Auxiliary Records, 1845--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Mary Watson, Secretary, R. F. D. #1, Flemington. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1910--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Shirley Van Devender, Secretary, 31 East Main Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1855--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. William F. Ramburg, Secretary, 35 Spring Street. Financial Records, 1825--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George Danely, Treasurer, 9 Broad Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 196; Deeds, vol. 27, p. 388; vol. 145, p. 570.

18. THE UNITED FIRST CHURCH OF AMWELL, 1810--. Old York Road, Larisons Corner, Hunterdon County.

Originally established in 1749 as a German Reformed Church, this congregation united with the First Presbyterian Church of Amwell (entry 12), in 1810, and incorporated as the United First Presbyterian Congregation of Amwell during that year. Services were held in a stone structure on Old York Road which had been erected prior to 1750, by the German congregation. Alternating services were held in both churches. In 1818, Mr. Joseph Kugler donated the present church site which is directly across the road from the original building and a new church was erected. Reincorporation ensued in 1931.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture with belfry and spire. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Jacob Kirkpatrick, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, served this church from 1810 to 1866. The church is now served by a student pastor, Rev. Robert E. Shields of Princeton.

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Record of incorporations: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Special Deeds, vol. 1, p. 176; Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 227.

19. FIRST CHURCH, 1816--. Princeton Road, Dutch Neck, Mercer County.

The original "Neck Meeting House", built in 1797, is believed to have been a log structure, and was in use until the present building was erected in 1816. In 1880, the congregation incorporated as the Dutch Neck Presbyterian Church, and in 1906, reincorporated as First Presbyterian Church of Dutch Neck.

The church is a one story frame structure of Colonial type architecture, with tower, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse is located on Princeton Road. The Sunday School, on the south side of the road, was built in 1890, and rebuilt in 1930.

Rev. David M. Comfort, a graduate of the College of New Jersey served this church from 1816 to 1827. The present pastor is Rev. Guy A Bensinger, Princeton Road.

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20. FIRST CHURCH OF LAMBERTVILLE, 1816--. North Union
Street Lambertville, Hunterdon County.

This church was organized at the home of Mr. John Lambert, Jr., in 1816. Messrs. John Coryell and Joseph Lambert donated the present church site. A committee was appointed which immediately started to solicit funds for the erection of a church. The church was completed and dedicated in 1820. Incorporation ensued the same year. This church was a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with tower, bell, and plain windows.

In 1851, the congregation decided a new church was necessary. The second church was to occupy the old site so the corner stone was laid June 8, 1853. During the time of construction, the congregation held services in Union Hall on Union and Main Streets. On January 11, 1855, dedication services were held. The church was completely renovated and rededicated in 1885. Property for a manse was purchased and the manse erected at 146 Union Street in 1890.

The church is a stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Peter O. Studdiford, a graduate of Rutgers College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1821 to 1865. The present pastor is Rev. Victor M. Paterson, 146 Union Street.

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21. MILFORD CHURCH, 1832--. Bridge Street, Milford,
Hunterdon County.

This church was organized and incorporated as the Presbyterian Church in Milford in 1832. It was formed by a group of persons who previously had attended the new frame church at Alexandria (now Mt. Pleasant, entry 13), and the Old Stone Church at Kingwood (entry 11). The present site for the church and manse was donated by Mr. George W. Van Syckle. Both church and manse were erected in 1834. Reincorporation ensued in 1842, as the Milford Presbyterian Church. The first church was replaced by a new and larger structure, which was erected and dedicated in 1868. The congregation reincorporated as the Presbyterian Church of Milford in 1906.

The present church is a stone structure of Colonial architecture, with belfry, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement.

Rev. James B. Hyndshaw, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1832 to 1835. The present pastor is Rev. Arthur Copeland, Mills Street.

Doherty, D. Linton, Centennial Celebration, 1933.
Milford, Presbyterian Church, 1933. 26 pp.

Snell, James P., History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 426.

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Record of incorporations and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 408; vol. 2, p. 175; vol. 2, p. 358; Deeds, vol. 4, p. 199.

22. FIRST CHURCH, 1838--. River Road, Titusville, Mercer County.

This congregation was organized as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Pennington (entry 7). Services prior to 1838 were held in residences. The first church was erected in 1838, on land donated

by Mr. Joseph Titus in the same year. The congregation incorporated in 1843. The church was a stone structure and used until 1854, when torn down and the foundation for the basement of the present church was laid. The second church was completed and dedicated in 1855.

The church is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with a square tower surmounted by a steeple, and has rectangular windows. The manse was erected in 1857 on property purchased in 1856. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church.

Rev. Garret Van Artsdalen, a graduate of Princeton College and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1844 to 1852. The present pastor is Rev. L. Merrell Maker, Titusville.

Session Records, 1843--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert P. Agnew, Clerk, Titusville. Trustee Records, 1843--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Thomas Parkhill, Secretary, Pleasant Valley. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1843--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Harriet Skirm, Secretary, Titusville. Women's Records, 1924--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. James Skirm, Secretary, River Road. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. George P. Phillips, Secretary, Harbourton Road. Financial Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George P. Phillips, Treasurer, Titusville.

Record of incorporation and deed: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 11; Deeds, vol. T, p. 310.

23. SECOND CHURCH, 1840-1907. Merged. Easton Avenue and Hamilton Street, New Brunswick, Middlesex County.

The Second Presbyterian Church organized in 1840 with 19 members, only two of whom had been connected with the First Church. Meetings were then held in the old Lancasterian School on Schureman Street, a wooden structure of four rooms. In 1841, the congregation incorporated. Following the incorporation, the church purchased the property at the corner of George and Albany Streets. This property was sold to the Second Reformed Church on August 15, 1843. The Second Church congregation occupied the property on the north side of Richmond Street, deeded to them by the executors of the John Bray estate. A third church was erected in the triangle bounded by George Street, George's Road (now Livingston Avenue), and Schureman Street, and deeded to the trustees by Rev. Jonathan Cogswell and wife. This church was dedicated in 1851. A fourth church was erected on the present site and dedicated in 1880. This church was used until 1907, when the Second Church merged with the First Presbyterian Church (entry 9), and deeded the property to the First Church. In 1908, the First Church sold the property to the Magyar Evangelical Reformed Church (entry 46); and in 1909, the Magyars exchanged property with the St. James Methodist Church.

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The church was a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with belfry, bell, steeple, and cathedral windows. The lower floor was used for a Sunday School and recreation hall.

Rev. Charles H. A. Bulkley served this church from 1842 to 1843.

Culp, Cordie J., Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick, 1726-1926. New Brunswick, Bicentinnial Committee, 1926. 40 pp.

Session Records, 1840-73, 2 vols.; Church Register (contains names of Pastors, Elders, and Deacons, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Members), 1842-1906, 2 vols.; Names of Pastors, Deacons, Elders, 1842-1906, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Members, 1842-1906, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. Cordie J. Culp, pastor of the First Church (entry 9).

Record of incorporation and deed: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 42; Deeds, vol. 177, p. 582.

24. WITHERSPOON STREET CHURCH, 1840--. 126 Witherspoon Street, Princeton, Mercer County.

The members of this church at the time of organization were affiliated with the First Presbyterian Church (entry 14) on Nassau Street. Property for a church site was purchased in 1843, when this congregation incorporated and a church was built the same year. In 1869, the manse adjoining the church was purchased from Mr. James Ten Eyck. A site for a Sunday School building was purchased and a two story brick structure was erected thereon in 1905.

The church is a plain frame structure, with a square tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Elymas P. Rogers, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served from 1845 to 1849. The present pastor is Rev. George C. Aston, 112 Witherspoon Street.

Hageman, John Frelinghuysen, History of Princeton and Its Institutions, Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott and Company, 1879, II, 209-211.

Session Records, 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Jesse Wells, Clerk, 22 Birch Avenue. Trustee Records, 1900--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. George Reeves, Secretary, 10 Quarry Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1910--, 6 vols., in custody of Miss Mary Allison, Secretary, 16 Birch Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1922--, 2 vols.,

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in custody of Mrs. Mary Moss, Secretary, 30 Qarry Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Leila Waxwood, Secretary, 23 Leight Avenue. Financial Records, 1910--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Boyd, Treasurer, 20 Birch Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 7; Deeds, vol. H, p. 233; vol. 73, pp. 334, 349.

25. SECOND CHURCH, 1842--. Mercer and Market Streets, Trenton, Mercer County.

Presbyterian missionary work in this locality, then known as South Trenton, or Lamberton, dates back to 1830. This congregation was organized as the First Presbyterian Church of South Trenton with the approval of Presbytery in 1842. The first building was erected in 1842; additional land was purchased in 1851, and the church name was changed to the Second Presbyterian Church. This church was enlarged and used until 1903, when the building was sold. During 1903-4, the members held their meetings in a Lutheran Church on Greenwood Avenue. A site for the present church was purchased in 1903, and church completed in 1920. The Sunday School is adjacent to the church.

The church is a greystone structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. Daniel Derenelle served this church from 1843 to 1848. The church is without a pastor at the present time.

Aquilla, Louis D., History of the Church. Ms.

Kennedy, James B., Historical Sketch of the Second Presbyterian Church, Trenton, New Jersey. Trenton, MacCrellish and Quigley, 1876. 12 pp.

Petition for Organization of the Second Presbyterian Church of Trenton, New Jersey. 1839. ms. 1 p.

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Secretary, 72 Beechwood Avenue. Financial Records, 1919--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John Kessler, Treasurer, 1004 Anderson Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 4; Deeds, vol. W, p. 42; vol. 262, p. 396; vol. 263, p. 106.

26. WEST TRENTON CHURCH, 1845--. Grand and Trenton Avenues, West Trenton, Mercer County.

This church was originally organized as a Presbyterian Sunday School, and was known as the Birmingham Sunday School. As early as 1845, classes were held in the old stone schoolhouse with Rev. Eli Field Corley in charge. In 1876, the Reading Railroad was made a reality. This village was a starting point on the short line from the main tracks to Trenton. The Post Office was changed at this time from Birmingham to Trenton Junction. When this change came about the Sunday School became known as the Trenton Junction Sunday School and in 1906, incorporated as the Trenton Junction Community Church. During that year Grange Hall on Grand Avenue was purchased and used for Sunday School and Church purposes. In 1918, Mr. Isaac F. Richey donated property on Grand Avenue for a church site; and in 1918 and 1919, the congregation bought additional adjoining property, all at the present location. In 1930, the Reading Railroad built a fine new station, and the name of the town was again changed to West Trenton. In 1931, the name of the church was changed to West Trenton Presbyterian Church. Although the church property was purchased in 1918, the church was not erected until 1931. Services were continued at Grange Hall until the new church was completed.

The church is a brownstone structure of Norman Gothic architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The bell was presented to the church by the Ladies' Aid Society in 1932. Sunday School classes are conducted on the main floor of the church for adults, and in the basement for the younger scholars.

Rev. W. Glenn Harris, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, University of Pennsylvania, and Trinity College, Waxahachie, Texas, served this church from 1927 to 1938. The present pastor is Rev. Robert W. Scott, 930 Carteret Avenue.

Session Records, 1918--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Wilson Day, Clerk, Pennington Road. Trustee Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. C. Albert Bodine, Secretary, Ewing Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1918--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Wilson Day. Sunday School Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. C. Albert Bodine, Superintendent. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1906--, 2 vols.; 1906-12, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Thackray, former President, Summit Avenue; 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William F. Dittig,

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Secretary, 5 Summit Avenue. Scrap Book (contains newspaper clippings and miscellaneous notes regarding the church and other community activities) in the possession of Mr. George Muirheid, Summit Avenue, West Trenton. Financial Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Y. Thackray, Treasurer, Grant Avenue.

Record of incorporations, change of name, and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, pp. 178-180; Incorporations, vol. B, pp. 11, 12, 63, 64; vol. B, pp. 11, 63; Deeds, vol. 291, p. 439; vol. 410, pp. 124, 407, 422, 566-568.

27. SECOND CHURCH, 1847--. Nassau Street, Corner Chambers Street, Princeton, Mercer County.

This church organized in 1847, and incorporated in 1849, is the outgrowth of a Sunday School. First services were held in a frame building known as Cook's Hall, on Nassau Street. The present site was a gift to the congregation from Mrs. Susan Brown. The church was erected and dedicated in 1868. The manse at 16 Stockton Street was the gift of Miss Sophia C. V. C. Stevens, in 1878.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. The Sunday School rooms are in the rear of the church.

Rev. William Henry Green, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1848 to 1850. The present pastor is Rev. William L. Tucker, 16 Stockton Street.

Duffield, John T., A Discourse on the History of the Second Presbyterian Church of Princeton. Princeton, C. S. Robinson and Company, University Printers, 1876. 30 pp.

Duffield, John T., Historical Discourse at the Semi-Centennial Celebration of the Second Presbyterian Church of Princeton. Princeton, C. S. Robinson and Company, University Printers, 1897. 35 pp.

Hageman, John F., History of Princeton and its Institutions, Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott and Company, 1879, pp. 200-208.

Session Records, 1847--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. James A. McCulloch, Clerk, 31 Edwards Place, Trustee Records, 1871--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert M. Wert, Secretary, 17 Edwards Place. Record of Baptisms, 1913--, 1 vol.; Record of Members, 1925--, 1 file drawer, in custody of Mr. James McCulloch, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1935--,

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1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harrison Shull, Secretary, 60 Jefferson Road. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Russell Van Norman, Secretary, 24 Bank Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Walter Beers, Secretary, 19 Edwards Place. Men's Club Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Lemuel V. Silvester, Secretary, Mt. Lucas Road. Financial Records, 1881--, 3 vols.; 1881-1909, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert M. Wert, Secretary; 1909--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter M. Weber, Treasurer, Mt. Lucas Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 19; Deeds, vol. Q, p. 422; vol. R, p. 197; vol. 65, p. 460; vol. 120, p. 217; vol. 122, p. 229.

28. HOLLAND CHURCH, 1848--. Old Milford Road, Holland, Hunterdon County.

This church was organized in 1848 by Rev. J. H. Sherwood, pastor of the Milford Presbyterian Church (entry 21). Incorporation as the First Presbyterian Church of Holland ensued in 1848. The present site was purchased, and the church was erected and dedicated the same year. The congregation reincorporated as the Presbyterian Church of Holland in 1906.

The church is a stone structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted on the balcony of the church auditorium.

Rev. Arthur Copeland, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, is pastor of this and the Milford Presbyterian church.

Snell, James P., History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 426.

Session Records, 1855--; 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Theodore Oakes, Secretary, Spring Hill Road. Trustee Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths), 1901--; 2 vols., in custody of Miss Catherine Moore, Secretary, Riegelsville Road. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1854--; 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Charles Dimick, Secretary, Milford Road. Financial Records, 1900--; 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Jasper Davis, Treasurer, Milford Road.

Record of incorporations and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 40; vol. 1, p. 409; Deeds, vol. 92, p. 451.

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29. FRENCHTOWN CHURCH, 1849--. 20 Fourth Street, Frenchtown, Hunterdon County.

A petition to organize a church in this locality was accepted by Presbytery in 1849. Records show that early in the nineteenth century residents of this little village worshiped in Rev. Mr. Kugler's barn. In 1844, Rev. Samuel F. Porter, then pastor of the Kingwood Presbyterian Church (entry 11), preached on occasion, in the old wheelwright shop of Mr. John Walbert in Frenchtown. These services led to the erection of a small wooden church in 1845, which was considered a mission of the Kingwood Church. This church, located on Second Street, afterward became the present Town Hall. Services continued here until 1853, when the present site was purchased and a new church erected and dedicated the following year. Property adjoining the church was purchased and a manse erected in 1865. The church was enlarged in 1871, and about thirty years later a chapel was added. Incorporation ensued in 1887.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel.

Rev. Samuel F. Porter served this church from 1848 to 1857. The present pastor is Rev. Harvey L. Jennings, 20 Fourth Street.

Lance, Glen O., 80th Anniversary of the Frenchtown Presbyterian Church. Frenchtown, Master Press, Inc., 1929. 16 pp.

Session Records (contain Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1845-98, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Henry E. Snyder, Clerk, 18 Fourth Street. Trustee Records, 1887--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Daniel Warne, Secretary, 1004 Harrison Street. Record of Baptisms, Acceptances, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1898--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Irving Taylor, Secretary, 34 Fifth Street. Women's Missionary Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. John Hoffman, Secretary, 685 Harrison Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Loretta Sheetz, Secretary, 21 Fifth Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mary Williams, Secretary, 16 Fourth Street. Financial Records, 1915--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert H. Currie, Treasurer, 512 Harrison Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 8, p. 229; Deeds, vol. 87, p. 343; vol. 121, p. 520; vol. 123, p. 237.

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30. THIRD CHURCH, 1849--. 135 North Warren Street,
Trenton, Mercer County.

The Third Presbyterian Church was organized and incorporated in 1849, by 17 persons, 13 of whom were members of the First Church, Trenton (entry 8). Services from date of organization were held in the Odd Fellows Hall at North Broad (then Greene) and East Hanover Streets. Services continued to be held at the Hall until 1850, when a site was purchased, and the church was completed and dedicated the same year. In 1857, a site was purchased for the manse. The church was rebuilt after a fire in 1879, and rededicated in 1880.

The church is a brownstone structure of Romanesque architecture, with a square tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Theodore Ledyard Cuyler, a graduate of Princeton College and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1849 to 1853. Rev. John McNab, 139 North Warren Street, is the present pastor.

Brief Historical Sketch and Drawing. Trenton Sunday Times, March 3, 1937.

Studdiford, Samuel Miller, Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Third Presbyterian Church of Trenton. Trenton, Murphy and Bechtel, 1874. 23 pp.

Studdiford, Samuel Miller, Historical Discourse, Third Presbyterian Church, Trenton, N. J. Trenton, Naar, Day and Naar, 1899. 31 pp.

Studdiford, Samuel Miller, Historical Sketch of the Third Presbyterian Church, Trenton. Trenton, Breakley and Strool, 1879. 54 pp.

Session Records, 1849--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Benjamin H. Bugbee, Clerk, 569 Rutherford Avenue. Trustee Records, 1849--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Austin C. Swedecker, Secretary, River Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1849--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Benjamin H. Bugbee, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1898--, 42 vols., 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Robert Richardson, Secretary, 210 Stacy Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1931--, 2 vols.; 1931-38, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Nancy Hannah, President, 26 Lee Avenue; 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ethel Lacy, Secretary, 10 Hampton Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Leroy Wiley, Secretary, 1005 North Pennsylvania Avenue, Morrisville, Pa. Women's Missionary Records, 1872--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Ethel Woodruff, Secretary, 320 Spring Street. Financial Records, 1849--, 91 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert D. Schenck, Treasurer, 633 North Pennsylvania Avenue, Morrisville, Pa.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, pp. 21, 22; Deeds, vol. R. pp. 386, 387; vol. U, pp. 229, 383-386; vol. 36, p. 397; vol. 88, p. 71; vol. 270, p. 591; vol. 322, p. 70; Special Deeds, vol. D, p. 186; vol. S, p. 169.

31. FOURTH CHURCH, 1858--. Clinton Avenue and East State Street, Trenton, Mercer County.

Members of the First Church (entry 8) and Third Church (entry 30) organized this Fourth Church in 1858, incorporating the same year. Early meetings were held at the Y. M. C. A. at 77 North Warren Street, and in the City Hall. Land was purchased in 1859, 1860, and 1861. The church and Sunday School quarters were erected and dedicated in 1860. The manse was erected in 1861. The Sunday School quarters were enlarged in 1920, and named Whitehead Hall in memory of Mr. Alfred Whitehead of Trenton, a generous supporter of the church.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with spire and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward Dorr Yeomans, a graduate of Lafayette College, Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1858 to 1863. The present pastor is Rev. Glenn Otto Lantz, 19 North Clinton Avenue.

Kennedy, Robert W., Historical Sketch, Fourth Presbyterian Church, Trenton, New Jersey. Trenton, Phillips & Godshalk Company, 1918. 16 pp.

Report of Committee on Application for Organization of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Trenton. 1858. Ms. 2 pp. In custody of the church.

Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Fourth Presbyterian Church, Trenton, New Jersey, 1858-1933. Trenton, Fourth Presbyterian Church, 1933. 18 pp.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1858--, 6 vols.; 1858-1934, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. N. Grant Millick, Clerk, 652 Rutherford Avenue. Trustee Records, 1858--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James Fitzcharles, Secretary, 15 North Montgomery Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1858--, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. James Fitzcharles, Jr., Superintendent, 307 Overton Avenue, Morrisville, Pa. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1858--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Edward Y. Bright, Secretary, 146 Monmouth Street. Missionary Guild Records, 1917--, 2 vols., in

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custody of Mrs. Claire S. Collins, Secretary, 230 Wilson Avenue, Mercerville. Woman's Auxiliary Society Records, 1907--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Augustus L. Harbout, Secretary, 52 Delawareview Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Daniel Ross, Secretary, 63 Bryn Mawr Avenue. Financial Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Johnson, Treasurer, 4 Kirk Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 30; Deeds, vol. 43, p. 563; vol. 47, p. 137; vol. 49, p. 419.

32. STOCKTON CHURCH, 1867--. Main Street, Stockton, Hunterdon County.

For two years prior to 1867, services were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church of Stockton. Desiring to establish a Presbyterian Church in this locality, the residents of this small village organized, incorporated, and affiliated with the New Brunswick Presbytery in 1867. During that year the congregation purchased the present site, and erected and dedicated the present church. A manse was erected adjacent to the church in 1872. In 1925, a frame chapel was erected for the use of the Sunday School.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. William Swan, a graduate of Williams College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1868 to 1878. The present pastor is Rev. Francis O. Hathaway, Main Street.

Snell, James P., History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 382, 383.

Session Records, 1896--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John S. Wilson, Clerk, Main Street. Trustee Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles A. Smith, Secretary, Main Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor, Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Silas Pierson, Secretary, Main Street. Women's Missionary Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Emmert Wilson, Secretary, Main Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1906--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Mildred Moore, Secretary, Main Street. Financial Records, 1917--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Raymond A. Redding, Treasurer, Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 4, p. 329; Deeds, vol. 136, p. 693.

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33. HOPE MISSION, 1868-1902. Extinct. Hale Street near Jersey Avenue, New Brunswick, Middlesex County.

This mission was one of several organizations formed by workers in Protestant churches for the purpose of conducting Sunday Schools. Hope Mission was organized in 1868, and two years later was taken in charge by the Presbyterian church.

Hope Mission was established on Hale Street near Jersey Avenue. The First Presbyterian Church (entry 9) purchased a one story frame structure from Ann McClay. Repairs were made to the building.

In 1902, the mission was closed and two years later the property was sold to the Rolfe Building Materials Company, at 40 Jersey Avenue.

Colonel Jacob J. Janeway served as superintendent for a number of years.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 709.

Record of deed: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 129, p. 289.

34. KIRKPATRICK MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1868--. Ringoes, Hunterdon County.

This church is an outgrowth of the Amwell United Presbyterian Church at Larisons Corner (entry 18). After considerable discussion Permission to organize was granted in 1868, and the new congregation incorporated under their present title in memory of Rev. Jacob Kirkpatrick who had served as pastor in Amwell for over fifty years. Preliminary meetings were held in the chapel of the former church, which this congregation purchased shortly after organizing. The present church adjoining the chapel was erected and dedicated in 1869. Seven years later, land adjacent to the church site was purchased, and the present manse erected. In 1921, the chapel was enlarged and the church was completely renovated.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with belfry, steeple, tower and cathedral windows, one of which is a memorial window. Sunday school classes are conducted in the chapel.

Rev. John D. Hewitt served this church from 1870 to 1876. The present pastor is Rev. George O. Williams, Ringoes.

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Snell, James P., History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 361, 362.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1869--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Kenneth Polhemus, Secretary, Ringoes. Sunday School Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Kenneth Polhemus, Secretary and Treasurer. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1938--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1903--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Cora Stamets, Secretary and Treasurer, Ringoes. Financial Records, 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Rynear Hill, Treasurer, Ringoes.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 4, p. 402; Deeds, vol. 149, p. 778; vol. 162, p. 457.

35. FIRST CHURCH, 1869--. Main Street, Dayton, Middlesex County.

First meetings for the purpose of organization, and subsequent meetings prior to the erection of this church, were held in residences. At a meeting of the Presbytery of New Brunswick at Cranbury in 1869, Messrs. Richard McDowell and Thomas W. Schenck appeared as commissioners for the people of Dayton and vicinity and presented a petition to the Presbytery which was granted, culminating in the organization of the First Church of Dayton, incorporation ensuing in 1869. The present site was purchased from Mr. Samuel T. Pullen, and a church erected and dedicated in 1870. Rev. Joseph W. Hubbard was installed in 1870, and during his pastorate the manse adjoining the church was built, and other improvements made. The church was enlarged and refurnished during the years of 1883 and 1886. In 1903, funds were raised for the erection of a chapel. It was dedicated as the Long Memorial Chapel in 1904.

The church is a frame structure of early American architecture, with steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John H. Schofield served this church from 1869 to 1870. The present pastor is Rev. A. Gordon Karnell, Main Street.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 228; Deeds, vol. 125, p. 675.

36. FIFTH CHURCH, 1874--. Princeton Avenue near Pennington Avenue, Trenton, Mercer County.

This church was the outgrowth of a mission Sunday School, conducted as early as 1854, by members of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton (entry 8). A chapel, called the Warren Street Chapel, was built by the First Presbyterian Church on property owned by Mr. and Mrs. John S. Chambers, members of the First Church. The deed transferring title of the land to the church was given up by Mr. and Mrs. John S. Chambers in 1868. Incorporation took place in 1882. The chapel was used for Sunday School classes and church services until the erection of the present church in 1885, when the chapel was taken down and the new church was erected on the same site at Princeton Avenue (continuation of Warren Street). Additional property was purchased in 1889. The manse was erected adjacent to the church, on property purchased in 1910. An addition to the Sunday School quarters was built in 1907.

The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Ansley D. White, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1874 to 1877. The present pastor is Rev. Samuel E. Arendt, 149 Brunswick Avenue.

Cole, David, and George H. Ingram, Historical Sketches of The Fifth Presbyterian Church, Trenton, New Jersey. Trenton, Naar, Day, and Naar, 1899. 40 pp.

Ingram, George H., Fiftieth Anniversary of the Fifth Presbyterian Church, Trenton, New Jersey. Trenton, The Smith Press, 1924. 12 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 76; Deeds, vol. 148, p. 10; vol. 165, p. 209; vol. 173, pp. 22, 23; vol. 291, p. 447; vol. 73, p. 162.

37. PROSPECT STREET CHURCH, 1875-- . Prospect Street, Trenton, Mercer County.

Prospect Street Sunday School was the outgrowth of the organization of a small Sunday School, meeting for the first time in 1872, in a brick dwelling, now known as No. 246 West State Street. This house was sold and the school was moved, in 1873, to a little frame house across the street. Later they were obliged to move again, and this time to a stone carriage house in the rear of the present Carteret Club on West State Street. During the winter, the school disbanded. In 1874, land was donated for the erection of a church at Prospect and Spring Streets; and in 1875, the congregation organized and incorporated; the church was erected and dedicated the same year. The church was enlarged in 1883, 1894, and 1911. The manse, located at 347 Spring Street, was erected in 1887, on land purchased in 1885. In 1925, the Sunday School annex was erected.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with pictorial windows.

Rev. Walter A. Brooks, a graduate of the University of Michigan, and the Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1875 to 1905. The present pastor is Rev. William T. Hanzsche.

Brief Historical Sketch and Drawing. Trenton, Sunday Times Advertiser, July 25, 1937.

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Trenton, MacCrellish and Quigley, 1886. 22 pp.
Reprinted by The Brandt Press, 1900. 28 pp.

Session Records, 1874-- , 7 vols.; 1874-1921, 6 vols., in custody of the First Mechanics Bank, 1 West State Street; 1922-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harvey Cooley, Clerk, 21 South Lenape Avenue. Trustee Records, 1874-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Lewis S. Stockhouse, Secretary, 230 Highland Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1874-- , 3 vols., 1 file box; 1874-1922, 3 vols., in custody of the First Mechanics Bank; 1922-- , 1 file box, in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1874-- , 5 vols.; 1874-1922, 4 vols., in custody of the First Mechanics Bank; 1922-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Forrest W. Irwin, Secretary, 18 North Doan Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1935-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Francis M. MacColl, Secretary, 584 Rutherford Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939-- , 1 vol., in custody of Miss Wilmer Johnson, Secretary, 11 Perdimis Place. Financial Records, 1875-- , 5 vols., in custody of Dr. Henry B. Kummel, Treasurer, 100 Abernethy Drive.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 176; Deeds, vol. 107, p. 22; vol. 139, p. 263; vol. 143, p. 296; vol. D, p. 41.

38. FIRST CHURCH, 1877-- . Broad Street corner Louellen Avenue, Hopewell, Mercer County.

As early as 1868, a Presbyterian Sunday School in Hopewell conducted classes in the Public School which was later known as the Grand Army Hall. The Presbyterian Chapel Association was formed in 1876. The present site was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore, and a chapel built the same year. Incorporation ensued in 1877. The manse is a two story frame dwelling at 83 West Broad Street, purchased in 1892. Additional property was purchased from Mr. Theodore D. Durling, executor and trustee of the estate of Martha Phillips in 1913, and the present church erected in 1915. The chapel was used as a recreation hall, and was sold in 1923.

The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with small tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Minot S. Morgan, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1878 to 1879. The present pastor is Rev. John H. Ginter, 83 West Broad Street.

Diaries and Scrap Book of the late Mr. Ralph Ege, in custody of Mrs. Marion Ege Voorhees, 28 Hart Avenue, Hopewell, contain references to the church.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, pp. 71, 72; Deeds, vol. 115, p. 552; vol. 118, pp. 415, 416; vol. 183, p. 444; vol. 276, p. 109; vol. 357, p. 499; vol. 360, p. 285; vol. 513, p. 245.

39. FIRST CHURCH, 1878--. Main Street, Plainsboro, Middlesex County.

Prior to organization of this church, preliminary services were held in the Methodist Church located at New Road, Monmouth Junction. The site on which the old and the present church buildings are standing was purchased in 1878. The church originally was to have been named the Evangelical Church of Plainsboro when it was incorporated in 1879. In 1896, the name was changed to Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Plainsboro. The church was rebuilt in 1898; and in 1907, the church became known as the First Presbyterian Church. A building fund was started in 1930, and the present impressive structure was equipped with many new improvements. The old building in rear of present church is used for the Sunday School. The manse, located on Main Street, was erected in 1915.

The church is a stone structure of Colonial architecture, with a spire and cathedral windows.

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Rev. John D. Miller, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served from 1878 to 1895. The present pastor is Rev. Arthur Raymond Eckels, Main Street.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 793.

Directory First Presbyterian Church, Plainsboro, New Jersey, November, 1931. Plainsboro, First Presbyterian Church, 1931.

Session Records, 1893--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Russell Britton, Clerk, Plainsboro. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1893--, 2 vols.; Record of Elders, Membership Roll, 1896--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1879--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. W. Eleanor, Treasurer, Plainsboro. Women's Guild Records, 1907--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Henry Jeffers, Sr., Treasurer, Princeton Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1907--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mabel McKensey, Treasurer, Princeton Road. Financial Records, 1915--, 2 vols.; 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Oscar Fowler, Treasurer, Plainsboro; 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. LeRoy McKackanzie, Secretary, Plainsboro.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. F, p. 626; Deeds, vol. 453, p. 337; vol. 438, p. 342; vol. 536, pp. 541, 543.

40. COKESBURY CHURCH, 1880-1915. Extinct. Mountainville Road, Cokesbury, Hunterdon County.

The town of Cokesbury derives its name from this church which was named for two bishops, Coke and Asbury. This church was organized and incorporated in 1880, and the following year the present site was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hoffman, and a church was erected soon after that. The church was rebuilt in 1915, but closed in 1935.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with belfry, bell, and plain windows.

Snell, John P., History of Somerset and Hunterdon Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 480.

Record of incorporation and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 6, p. 323; Deeds, vol. 191, p. 28.

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41. BETHANY CHURCH, 1886--. Northeast corner of Hamilton and Chestnut Avenues, Trenton, Mercer County.

Presbyterians of this section held their first church services on November 8, 1885, in Kirk's Hall at 271 Hamilton Avenue. The Sunday School was organized at a prayer meeting in the residence of Mrs. Enoch Karr at 254 Elmer Street on November 12, 1885. The church was organized November 15, 1886, and incorporated December 13 of the same year. From 1885, church services and Sunday School classes were held in the Centennial School on the corner of Bayard and Whittaker Streets, the use of which was permitted by the Trenton Board of Education. Property was purchased in 1886 from Mr. Francis Lowthorp and his wife, and a church was erected in 1888. Additional property was purchased in 1887, 1914, and 1916.

This church is a red brick structure of modified Gothic architecture, with square tower, belfry, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School room was added in 1892, and was enlarged in 1925. The manse adjoining the church on Hamilton Avenue was built in 1916.

Rev. Daniel Requa Foster, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1886 to 1900. The present pastor is Rev. D. Wilson Hollinger, 426 Hamilton Avenue.

History of Trenton, 1679-1929. Trenton Historical Society, Princeton University Press, 1929. 521 pp.

Picture of Bethany Church and Historical Sketch.
Trenton, Sunday Times Advertiser, April 18, 1937.

Session Records (contain Ladies' Aid Society Records, Women's Missionary Society Records, Westminster Guild Records), 1886--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1885--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George E. Pengilly, Pastor's Assistant, 126 Fernwood Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1885--, 4 vols.; 1885-1936, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Clara Dyer, Secretary, 452 Tyler Street. Year Books (contain all Financial Reports), 1914-38, in custody of Mr. Alexander H. Maddock, 837 Melrose Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, pp. 86, 87; Deeds, vol. 151, pp. 462, 463; vol. 153, p. 457; vol. 366, p. 415; vol. 388, p. 32.

42. EAST TRENTON CHURCH, 1887--. North Clinton and Olden Avenues, Trenton, Mercer County.

Originally organized as a Sunday School in 1887, meetings were

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held in the Girard School. In the latter part of 1888, a Sunday School building was erected at the present location. Adjoining property, to be used for a church site, was purchased by Judge Caleb S. Green of Trenton, and a church was erected and dedicated the same year. The Sunday School building was enlarged in 1890, funds being donated by Mr. Charles Ewing Green. In 1899, the church joined the New Brunswick Presbytery and incorporated as the East Trenton Church.

The church is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Frank B. Everitt, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1891 to 1901. The present pastor is Rev. Elliott Epright, 329 Euclid Avenue.

A Drawing and Brief Historical Sketch. Trenton, Sunday Times Advertiser, April 11, 1937.

Commemorating the Fiftieth Anniversary, 1938. Trenton, East Trenton Presbyterian Church, 1938. 4 pp.

Session Records, 1889--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William C. Tonni, Secretary, 535 Norway Avenue. Trustee Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John R. Burgner, Secretary, 1812 Greenwood Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Peter Ziegler, Secretary, 825 Spruce Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1906--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Thomas E. Astbury, Secretary, 622 Mulberry Street. Ladies' Bible Class Records, 1933--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Minerva Eagon, Secretary, Russell Terrace. Missionary Society Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Sarah E. Reed, Secretary, 115 Waverly Place. Financial Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William L. Wolfinger, Treasurer, 336 Lynwood Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, pp. 143-147; Deeds, vol. 161, pp. 108-110; vol. 263, pp. 425-431.

43. MILLER MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1895--. Ridge and New Road, Monmouth Junction, Middlesex County.

The building on New Road, Monmouth Junction, near the P. R. R. tracks, was erected by the Methodists and known as the Monmouth Junction Church in 1877. It became known as the Evangelical Church of Monmouth Junction in 1884, and was attended by persons of various denominations. This church was purchased by Rev. John Miller from the Methodists in 1883, and it was after his death in 1895, that the church was deeded to the Presbyterians who had been meeting there.

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In 1936, the last surviving daughter of Rev. John Miller died, and bequeathed a legacy to the local institution. At that time, the name was changed to the Miller Memorial Church. At about that period, the congregation began negotiations for the purchase of the closed St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, at Ridge and New Roads. The transaction was completed and the church was rededicated. The old church at Monmouth Junction was sold.

The church is a small frame structure with belfry, bell, cathedral and memorial windows.

Rev. John Miller, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1881 to 1895. The present pastor is Rev. Arthur Raymond Eckels, Main Street, Plainsboro.

Session Records, 1885-96, 1 vol.; Membership Roll, 1905--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1905--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1914--, 2 vols., Sunday School Records, 1914--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Roland Mersham, Secretary, Monmouth Junction. Ladies' Aid Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Walter Hutchinson, Treasurer, New Road. Helping Hand Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Corbert Luker, Treasurer, New Road. Young Peoples Christian Endeavor Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Evelyn Penlope, Treasurer, New Road. Financial Records, 1922--, 2 check books in custody of Mrs. Ethel Mortan Emens, Treasurer, Monmouth Junction.

Record of incorporation and deed: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. BB, p. 373; Deeds, vol. 294, p. 288.

44. IMMANUEL CHURCH, 1897--. Whittaker Avenue, Trenton, Mercer County.

This church began as a mission school, and was known as the Italian Evangelical Congregation until 1916. Preliminary services were held from 1897 to 1905, in a hall at 103 Butler Street; and from 1905, in a hall on South Clinton Street, between Butler and Elmer Streets. In 1907, the Trustees of the Presbytery of New Brunswick purchased the present building. The church was dedicated in 1907. It is a one story red brick structure of Norman Gothic architecture, with square tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Additional property was purchased in 1922, and a church house erected. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church.

Rev. Vincent Serafini, a graduate of the National Institute of Technology, Naples, Italy, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1897 to 1936. At present the pastors are stated supplies.

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Council Records, 1907--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Amanda Micol, Deaconess, 1032 Stuyvesant Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1907--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records (current), in custody of Miss Amanda Micol, Superintendent. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1919--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Young People's Society Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Rose LePiani, Secretary, 235 Bayard Street. Financial Records, 1940--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Rhea A. Cella, Treasurer, 739 Hamilton Avenue.

Record of deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 272, p. 373; vol. 498, p. 406.

45. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1897--. Northeast corner Greenwood and Walter Avenues, Trenton, Mercer County.

This church started as the Wilbur Union Sunday School. From 1895 to 1898, classes were conducted in the William G. Cook School. In 1897, the congregation incorporated as the Walnut Avenue Presbyterian Church. Mr. Henry N. Cook donated some property at Walnut and South Walter Avenues for church purposes. The church was erected and dedicated in 1898. In 1909, the church was moved to its present site, a gift of Mr. Henry N. Cook. The name was changed and incorporated as the Westminster Presbyterian Church in 1910. The manse located at 226 Ardmore Avenue was purchased in 1924. Additional property was purchased in 1928.

The church is a frame structure with tower, and cathedral windows, one of which is a memorial window.

Rev. Isaac M. Patterson, a graduate of Dalhousie College, Halifax, Nova Scotia; Presbyterian College, Montreal, Canada; and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1898 to 1903, and was pastor emeritus from 1903 to 1921. The present pastor is Rev. William Boaz, 226 Ardmore Avenue.

Westminster Presbyterian Church. Directory, 1929.
The Smith Press, 1929. 32 pp.

Session Records, 1916--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harry B. MacMeeking, Clerk, 161 South Cook Avenue. Trustee Records, 1837--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Walter H. Gratton, Secretary, 870 Lawrenceville Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1898--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Financial Records, 1911--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Oliver Soden, Treasurer, 51 North Olden Avenue. Sunday School Attendance Book, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Robert Pettit, Secretary, 113 Garfield Avenue. Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1935--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Marion Wharbenby, Counsellor, 223 Park Lane. Christian Endeavor Intermediate

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Records, 1937-- , 1 vol., in custody of Miss Constance Steele, Counsellor, 231 Ardmore Avenue. Financial Records, 1911-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harry B. MacMeeking, Treasurer.

Record of incorporations, change of name, and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, pp. 128, 131; 212, 213; Incorporations, vol. O, p. 379; Deeds, vol. 222, p. 315; vol. 319, p. 227; vol. 321, pp. 104, 147; vol. 540, p. 167; vol. 629, p. 110.

46. MAGYAR EVANGELICAL REFORMED CHURCH, 1903-- . Bayard and Schuyler Streets, New Brunswick, Middlesex County.

First services were conducted by the Rev. Joseph Kozma of Perth Amboy, in the First Presbyterian Chapel (entry 9). This church was organized in 1903, and incorporated as the Hungarian Presbyterian Evangelical Reformed Church in 1904. Services were then held in the Hale Street School, and during 1905 the Presbytery of New Brunswick deeded this building to the congregation. The name of the church was changed to Magyar Evangelical Reformed Church the same year.

In 1908, the Presbytery transferred the property of the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 23) at Easton Avenue and Hamilton Street, to this congregation. On August 4, 1909, dedication services took place and the name was changed to the Magyar Evangelical Reformed Church. During the same year the property of this church and that of St. James' Methodist Episcopal Church, at Bayard and Schuyler Streets, were exchanged.

A dispute arose relative to whether the church was to be Presbyterian or Reformed. This resulted in a split in the congregation. In 1912, the property was deeded to the Hungarian Reformed Church, by those of the congregation favoring that faction, while those supporting the Presbyterian faction, brought suit and regained the property through a Chancery Court order in 1914. The Reformed faction retired in 1914, the Presbyterian group continuing, and the name was then changed to the Magyar Evangelical Reformed Presbyterian Church. The property on Hale Street, where services were first held, was sold in 1916, to the Perfection Manufacturing Company.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with steeple and bell. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel, which adjoins the church. The manse is a private dwelling at 22 Schuyler Street.

Rev. Paul Hamborzsky, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1905 to 1914. The present pastor is Rev. Charles Papp, 22 Schuyler Street.

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Hamborzskey, Paul F. B., A Brief History of the Magyar Reformed Presbyterian Church. New Brunswick, E. J. McMurtry & Co., 1909. 12 pp.

Wall, John P. and Harold E. Pickersgill, History of Middlesex County, New Jersey, 1664-1920, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1921, pp. 325,338.

Session Records, 1915--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Alex Toth, Clerk, 66 Guilden Street. Trustee Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Andrew Gabor, Secretary, 70 Harvey Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Irene Chobar, Secretary, 7 Florence Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Suzanne Kiss, Secretary, 9 Railroad Avenue. Financial Records, 1916--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John Orlick, Treasurer, 84 South Street.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. F, p. 50; vol. F, p. 256; vol. G, p. 387; Deeds, vol. 372, p. 527; vol. 414, p. 481; vol. 43, p. 332.

47. PILGRIM CHURCH, 1911--. South Broad and Lalor Streets, Trenton, Mercer County.

A Sunday School was established in Nottingham (now Hamilton Township) in 1834. In 1864, it was organized as the Hamilton Union Sunday School, conducting classes in the Franklin School in Liberty Street and later became known as the Pilgrim Presbyterian Sunday School. The present site was purchased in 1894. The frame chapel erected the same year was known as the Pilgrim Presbyterian Chapel. In 1911, the congregation incorporated as the Pilgrim Presbyterian Church. Additional property was purchased in 1914. The chapel remained in use until 1924, when the building was sold to the Ukrainian Orthodox Congregation. More property adjoining the earlier purchases was acquired in 1924, and a new church was erected in 1925.

The church is a red brick structure of modified Gothic architecture with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the basement. The manse, located at 39 Annabelle Avenue, was purchased in 1921.

Rev. John A. Sellers, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1915 to 1917. The present pastor is Rev. William T. Magill, 39 Annabelle Avenue.

A Drawing and Brief Historical Sketch. Trenton, Sunday Times Advertiser, March 13, 1938.

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History of Trenton, 1679-1929. Princeton, Princeton University Press, 1929. 520 pp.

Magill, William T., Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Directory. Trenton, The Smith Press, 1936. 24 pp.

Session Records, 1911--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Aaron B. Cloward, Clerk, 627 Woodland Street. Trustee Records, 1894--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward W. Lee, Secretary, 313 South Cook Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1911--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1928--, 6 vols., in custody of Mrs. William T. Magill, Secretary, 39 Annabelle Avenue. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Alexander Steele, Secretary, 2750 South Broad Street. Junior Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Althea Hendrickson, Secretary, 35 Annabelle Avenue. Senior Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1923--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Margaret Sanders, Secretary, 34 Dresden Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1914--, 6 vols.; 1914-31, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1931--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. William J. Wood, Secretary, 1424 Liberty Street. Financial Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mildred Slover, Treasurer, 1104 Franklin Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. C, pp. 154, 155; Deeds, vol. 132, p. 441; vol. 372, p. 126; vol. 431, p. 507; vol. 482, p. 175; vol. 547, p. 473.

48. LAWRENCE ROAD CHURCH, 1914--. Lawrence Road, Trenton, Mercer County.

Originally a small Presbyterian Sunday School, this church was organized in 1914 in the Eldridge Park School. The first church services in 1915 were held under a tree in Eldridge Park. This group was incorporated in 1916 as the Lawrence Road Chapel Association. A site donated to the church by Mr. Charles Smith was never used, but was sold to permit the purchase of the one on which the church now stands. Construction of this began in the latter part of 1917, the basement was made ready for occupancy. In 1937, the name of the church was changed and reincorporated as the Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church. The church was enlarged and dedicated in 1938.

This is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church.

For some years the congregation was served by student pastors from Princeton Theological Seminary. Rev. Herbert J. Anderson, a graduate of Wheaton College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this

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church as its regular pastor from 1934 to 1935. The present pastor is the Rev. J. Harold Guy, Lawrence Road.

Session Records, 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ellis S. Prickett, Clerk, Lawn Park Avenue, Eldridge Park. Trustee Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frank C. Freeman, Secretary, 40 Model Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1920-38, 18 vols.; 1939--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. William T. Turner, 2nd, Secretary, Emden Avenue, Eldridge Park. Young Women's Guild Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Gertrude E. Munro, Secretary, Meadowbrook Avenue, Eldridge Park. Men's Brotherhood Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Ernest W. Reed, Secretary, Fairfield Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Spencer H. Cornell, Secretary, Berwyn Place. Financial Records, 1916--, 8 vols., in custody of Mr. Joseph Crans, Treasurer, Gedney Road.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 64, 88; Deeds, vol. 388, p. 214; vol. 396, p. 409; vol. 400, p. 195; vol. 403, p. 109; vol. 768, p. 238.

49. THE FRIENDLY MISSION CENTER, 1914--. 72 Asbury Street, Trenton, Mercer County.

The work of this mission was carried on from 1914 by Miss Mary F. Beach, a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, Trenton (entry 25). Meetings were held in a rented house at 315 Union Street. The work was continued there until the death of Miss Beach in 1929, when a six room house was rented at the present location.

Twelve nationalities are represented with an average attendance of fifty children. A monthly report is submitted to the Committee on National Missions. This work is financed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Attendance Roll Records (includes Date of Birth, Nationality, Case Histories, and Assistance Rendered), 1924--, 2 vols.; Financial Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Sue Syctz, Superintendent, 8 Boudinot Street.

50. MT. CARMEL CHURCH, 1918--. Southeast corner of Brunswick Avenue and Miller Street, Trenton, Mercer County.

This church began as a mission of the Fifth Presbyterian Church (entry 36); it is now an organized church under the Presbytery

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of New Brunswick, which holds title to the property. Although the church was not organized until 1918, the mission held services from 1914 to 1916, in the Jefferson School on New Brunswick Avenue, with permission from the Board of Education. From 1916 to 1923, services were held in rented quarters at 97 Ferrier Avenue. Property was purchased for a church site in 1919; and in 1923, the first church for this congregation was erected and dedicated. The manse, located at 402 Brunswick Avenue, was purchased about 1920.

The church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with belfry, bell, and opaque windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Nunzio Vecere, a graduate of Benevento Archepiscopal Seminary, Naples, Italy; the Italian Branch of Colgate University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, has served this congregation since 1914. His residence is located at 402 Brunswick Avenue.

Session Records, 1918--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1916--, 7 vols., 1 file drawer, in custody of Mr. J. Bernard Garrison, Superintendent, 1414 Riverside Avenue. Young People's Society Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ethel Evans, Councilor, 187 Rosemont Avenue.

Record of deed: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 444, p. 420.

51. CHRIST CHURCH, 1921--. Klockner and Wilson Avenues, Trenton, Mercer County.

This church is the outgrowth of the Union Sunday School in existence since 1915. Sunday School and church services were conducted in the Enterprise Volunteer Fire House, and the Klockner School on Klockner Road, from 1920 to 1923. The congregation organized in 1921, and incorporated as Christ Presbyterian Church in 1922. A site for the church was donated by Mr. Joseph Steinert in 1922. Much of the actual labor of erecting the church was done by the members. The church was dedicated in 1923. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church.

The church is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with a small tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Clarence E. Getz, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1922 to 1926. The church is without a pastor at this time.

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Session Records, 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frank T. Hibbert, Clerk, 1813 Nottingham Way. Trustee Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Sherman Britton, Secretary, Cornell Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Frank T. Hibbert, Secretary, Nottingham Way. Sunday School Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Geroge Caldwell, Superintendent, Cornell Avenue. Women's Missionary Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Wilbur Stout, Secretary, Edinburg. Ladies' Aid Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Richard Boulton, Secretary, Chinnick Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1928--, 5 vols.; 1928-39, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Newhart, Custodian, 65 Klockner Road; 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Gladys Stout, Secretary, Edinburg.

Record of incorporation and deed: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 490; Deeds, vol. 490, p. 205.

52. SLACKWOOD CHURCH, 1935--. Brunswick Avenue, corner of Cherry Tree Lane, Slackwood, Mercer County.

This church began as a Union Sunday School, conducting classes and church services at the Satterthwaite farm house as early as 1812. Mrs. Ruth Stevens was the founder and superintendent. In 1830, the Sunday School moved to the Valley Schoolhouse on the old Princeton Pike, and continued there until 1894, when Mr. James R. Stevens donated the present site, and a chapel was erected during that year. In 1920, they incorporated as the Union Sunday School. It was not until 1935 that this congregation organized and incorporated as a Presbyterian church and was admitted to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

The church is a frame structure with small tower and cathedral windows. The Sunday School classes are held in the rear room of the church.

Rev. W. Glenn Harris, a graduate of Trinity College, Waxahachie, Texas; Princeton Theological Seminary, and the University of Philadelphia, served this church from 1930 to 1937. The present pastor is Rev. Robert W. Scott, 930 Carteret Avenue.

Brief Historical Sketch and Drawing. Trenton, Sunday Times Advertiser, June 12, 1938.

Session Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Fred H. Combs, Jr., Clerk, 105 Slack Avenue. Trustee Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Willard W. Landis, Secretary, 709 Bunker Hill Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Fred H. Combs, Jr., Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jesse Jones, Secretary, 103 Slack Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1894--, 10 vols., in custody of

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Mrs. Fred B. Prall, Secretary, 416 Lawrence Road. Financial Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William J. Gray, Treasurer, 103 Slack Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 22; Deeds, vol. 196, p. 443 vol. 652, p. 254.

53. CALVARY CHURCH OF AMWELL, 1937--. State Highway #29, Ringoes, Hunterdon County.

This church was organized in 1937 by a group of persons formerly attending the Amwell United First Presbyterian Church at Larisons Corners (entry 18). First services were held for a short time in private residences. Later they were permitted the use of a private dwelling which was formally dedicated as a church, and was later purchased by the congregation. Incorporation ensued in 1939.

The church is a plain frame structure, with belfry, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the main auditorium.

Rev. Bruce Wideman, a graduate of John Fletcher College, and Westminster Seminary, has served this church since 1937. He resides in rented quarters on Old York Road, Ringoes.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William H. Brewer, Secretary, Ringoes. Trustee Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Feiss, Secretary, Ringoes. Sunday School Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Danberry, Secretary and Treasurer, Ringoes. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Stephen Dani, Secretary and Treasurer, Ringoes. Berean Club Records (Young People's Christian Endeavor Records), 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Alice Bellis, Secretary and Treasurer, Ringoes. Financial Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Gladys Staats, Treasurer, Ringoes.

Record of incorporation and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 4, p. 116; Deeds, vol. 420, p. 215.

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54. PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON, 1817--.
Rev. John C. Tanis, Stated Clerk, 48 Summit
Avenue, Phillipsburg.

The Presbytery of East Jersey, which had been formed in 1733, joined with that of Long Island in 1738 to form the Presbytery of New York. In 1808, this presbytery divided, its New Jersey churches being known as the Presbytery of Jersey. Out of this presbytery the Newton group was formed, covering the major portions of Sussex and Warren counties.

The Mansfield Presbyterian Church, The First Presbyterian Church of Washington (entry 55), was the host of the meeting called for the purpose of organizing the Presbytery of Newton in 1817.

The presbytery was reorganized in 1870, upon reunion of the two groups within the church, and embraced a part of the short-lived Presbytery of Passaic (1853-70).

The present moderator of Presbytery is Elder Ralph Decker; the present Stated Clerk is Rev. John C. Tanis, 46 Summit Avenue, Phillipsburg. Presbytery meets three times each year, in April, June, and September. There are 37 ministers on its roll at this time.

Presbytery Records, 1817--, 5 vols.; 1817-1869, 4 vols., in custody of Blair Academy, Blairstown; 1870--, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. John C. Tanis.

55. FIRST CHURCH, 1739--. Corner Taylor and Church
Streets, Washington, Warren County.

The congregation organized in 1739, under the leadership of Rev. James McCrea, who conducted services in a residence known as Mr. Parker's located between Washington and Greenwich. An increase in membership necessitated their removal to more spacious quarters at a log house of worship located in Greenwich in 1740, site of which was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yeomans and Mr. and Mrs. John Bowlby, where they incorporated as Mansfield-Woodhouse Church in 1787. This was replaced by a second log house of worship in 1801, which was the birthplace of the Newton Presbytery in 1817.

The congregation reincorporated as Mansfield Church in 1822. A third house of worship, a brick structure was erected and dedicated in 1837, on the present site donated by Mr. Gershom Rusling the same year, and destroyed by fire in 1862. Replaced by the present church in 1864, and the name changed by an act of legislature to First Church of Washington in 1877.

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The church is a red brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

The first manse at 130 Washington Avenue was purchased from Mr. Abraham B. Stewart in 1860, and enlarged in 1869, with the purchase of an adjoining lot from Mr. James Lomerson the same year. This was sold to Mr. E. H. De Voe in 1928, at which time the present manse known as Wandling Memorial at 48 East Church Street was erected on a portion of the land donated by Mr. Rusling in 1837. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the Annex adjoining the church.

Rev. John Rosbrough, a graduate of Princeton University served this church in conjunction with the Oxford First Church (entry 56), and the Greenwich Church (entry 57) from 1764 to 1768. The present pastor is Rev. Denton M. Gerow, 48 East Church Street.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 566-569.

Through Two Hundred Years, 1740-1940, Washington, Washington Star Office, Stryker Press, 1940, pp. 1-63.

Session Records, 1787--, 9 vols.; 1787-1843 (contains Trustee Records), 1 vol.; 1813-55 (contains Financial Records), 1 vol.; 1817-48 (contains Record of Baptisms and Marriages), 1 vol.; 1846-62, 1 vol.; 1881-1903, 1 vol.; 1903-28, 1 vol.; 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. C. Wilbur Force, Custodian, Broad Street; 1913-38, 1 vol.; 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. R. W. Cochran, Secretary, Ford Furniture Store, East Washington Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1847-82, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1934--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. G. W. Blackwood, Secretary, Old Mill Drive. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Melroy, Secretary, West Stewart Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1910--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Harold Humphrey, Custodian, Belvidere Avenue. Financial Records, 1929--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. J. R. Bryant, Custodian, 25 East Washington Avenue.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 7; vol. B, p. 2; P. L. 1877, p. 393; Deeds, vol. Y 2, p. 413; vol. 17, p. 263; vol. 31, p. 138; vol. 51, p. 559; vol. 80, p. 539.

56. OXFORD FIRST CHURCH, c1739--. Hazen Road, Hazen (formerly Oxford), Warren County.

As near as can be ascertained, sometime between 1739 and 1744, an organization was effected and a log church was built near the site of the present church. This church is one of the oldest in this vicinity and is the sponsor of the Belvidere Presbyterian Church (entry 73), and the Second Church (entry 78), of Oxford.

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Efforts to obtain a copy of the deed by which this church acquired the property on which the present building stands have been unsuccessful in both Warren and Sussex Counties.

In 1787, the congregation incorporated. In 1800, a new building was erected. In 1844, a small chapel was erected at Oxford Furnace and preaching services and a Sunday School were established then. The manse was purchased in 1851. In 1855, the present church was erected; in 1872, extensive repairs were made to the church.

The church is a brick structure of early American architecture, has a steeple, tower, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. James Campbell served this church from 1744 to 1749. Rev. Frederick W. Johnson is the present pastor.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 610.

Session Records (include Records of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths; Trustee Records, and Financial Records), 1818--, 2 vols.; 1818-49, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Peter Wilson, Acting Clerk, Hazen; 1849--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Henry Race, Elder, Hazen. Trustee Records, 1774-1906, 1 vol., in the safe of the White Township School of Buttzville. Sunday School Records, 1919--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Gladys Riddle, Secretary, Hazen. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Amey, Secretary, Hazen. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Marilyn Chamberlin, Secretary, Hazen.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 5; Deeds, vol. 30, p. 213; vol. 31, p. 582; vol. 38, p. 364; vol. 40, p. 214; vol. 212, p. 237.

57. GREENWICH CHURCH, 1740--. Stewartsville Road
Stewartsville, Warren County.

Preliminary services were held in a log house of worship which was erected in 1740, on the farm of Mr. Henry R. Kennedy located on the south side of the Pohatcong River near Silver Hill. The congregation remained here until 1785, at which time a stone house of worship was erected on the present site, and subsequently razed in 1835.

During construction of the present house of worship which was erected and dedicated in 1835, services were held in Mr. Herbert Hiner's barn near "Straw" (St. James) Church, in the woods beyond Springtown, and in various other places. Incorporation was effected in 1839. In 1840, the present manse was erected on the site purchased in 1837. This was enlarged in 1850.

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The church is a stone structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a bell and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Rosbrugh, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church in conjunction with the Mansfield-Woodhouse, now First Church of Washington (entry 55), and the Oxford First Church (entry 56), from 1764 to 1770. The present pastor is Rev. Charles L. Overstreet, R. F. D., Stewartsville.

Centennial of Newton Presbytery, 1817-1917. Newton, Presbytery of Newton, 1917. 24 pp.

Junkin, D. X., Greenwich Centennial. Easton, George W. West, Greenwich, Greenwich Presbyterian Church, 1875. 8 pp.

One Hundred Ninety-Fifth Anniversary of Old Greenwich Presbyterian Church, 1740-1935. Greenwich, Greenwich Presbyterian Church, 1935. 26 pp.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 597, 598.

Session Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Carl Woolf, Secretary, Port Warren. Trustee Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1803--, 9 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1804--, 9 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Henry Biers, Custodian, Stewartsville. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1872--, 7 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Kennedy, Custodian, Shimor Manor. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1933--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Barbara Vliet, Custodian, Shimor Manor. Financial Records, 1859--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. George Woolf, Treasurer, Bloomsbury.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 30; Deeds, vol. 14, pp. 16, 19; vol. 28, p. 247; vol. 41, p. 625; vol. 103, p. 107; vol. 120, p. 39; vol. 125, p. 588; vol. 236, p. 396.

58. FIRST CHURCH OF HACKETTSTOWN, 1763--. Main Street,
Hackettstown, Warren County

The congregation originally known as the Presbyterian Congregation of Musconetcong, held services as early as 1763, in a crude log house of worship (present site of Sunday School) called Lower Hardwick Church on a site which they purchased in 1764. In 1782, when the Township of Independence was formed, taking in Hackettstown, this church became known as the First Presbyterian Church of Independence, incorporating as such in 1786.

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In 1814, the increase in membership necessitated the erection of a second house of worship which replaced the log church in 1819. This was enlarged in 1874. Since 1848, this church has been known as the First Presbyterian Church of Hackettstown. In 1863, the present house of worship was erected and dedicated on a site, parts of which were purchased in 1846, 1860, and 1861, opposite the second church, whereupon the latter was remodeled into the present Sunday School.

The present church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse at 641 Washington Street was erected in 1890, on a site parts of which were purchased in 1846, 1860, and 1861.

Rev. Francis Peppard served this congregation from 1773 to 1783. The present pastor is Rev. Reuben F. Pieters, 641 Washington Street.

Hackettstown Gazette, Hackettstown, First Presbyterian Church, August 6, 1886, p. 8.

History of North Western New Jersey, Hackettstown, First Presbyterian Church, 1927, vol. 2, pp. 689-693.

Lowney, John, History of the First Presbyterian Church of Hackettstown, New Jersey. Hackettstown, First Presbyterian Church, 1886. 26 pp.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 584-586.

Session Records, 1850--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. C. H. Timbrell, Clerk, 405 Monroe Street. Trustee Records, 1764--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Lindley Cook, Secretary, Hatchery Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1845-1901, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1862-1931, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. H. D. Ferguson, Secretary, 60 Main Street. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1892--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Kingsley, Secretary, R. D. Hackettstown. Financial Records, 1825-36, 1927--, 4 vols.; 1825-36, Receipts and Expenditures, 1 vol.; 1933-36, Treasurer's Report and Correspondence, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor; 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George B. Wert, Financial Secretary, Washington and Plane Streets; 1940--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harrison Welsh, Treasurer, Hackettstown.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 8; Deeds, vol. 26, p. 69; vol. 51, p. 507; vol. 51, p. 505; vol. 55, p. 205.

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Preliminary meetings were held in a log house of worship which tradition tells us was erected subsequent to 1740 named Upper Hardwick in what is called Dark Moon above Johnsonburg, where organization was effected in 1763. Name was changed to Hardwick Church in 1782.

The subject of erecting a new house of worship resulted in a controversy which required the intervention of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, who caused the erection of a church in 1786, on the present site which was purchased from Mrs. C. Van Sycle the same year.

The congregation incorporated as the First Church of Hardwick in 1787. The residence of Elder Aaron Hazen, which contained the Sessional Records of the church, was destroyed by fire in 1823. The church was renovated in 1841, and the congregation reincorporated as Yellow Frame Church in 1859. The church was replaced by another house of worship in 1887, and was subsequently sold, and the money used for the erection of the present church and manse in 1905. This church was the sponsor of the First Church of Newton (entry 62) and Marksboro Church (entry 65).

The church is a plain frame structure with belfry, bell, steeple, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the auditorium of the church proper during the summer months only.

Rev. Francis Peppard served this church from 1772 to 1783. The present pastor is Rev. R. Spencer Young, R. D. Newton.

Craig, Alexander, Yellow Frame Presbyterian Church, 1892. Sketch in The New Jersey Herald, Newton.

Ford, Home Coming Day. Fredon, Yellow Frame Church, 1937. 12 pp.

Roy, George W., History of the Yellow Frame Church. In Blairstown Press, 1936.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 692-694.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1828--, 2 vols.; 1828-1908, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. L. Eugene Savacol, Clerk, R. F. D., Fredon Township; 1908--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office Incorporations, vol. A, p. 3; vol. 19, pp. 602-608; Deeds, vol. K 6, p. 462; vol. B 8, p. 520.

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60. KNOWLTON CHURCH, 1766--. Columbia, R. D. I,
Knowlton Township, Warren County.

Meagre information relative to this being a Presbyterian Church as early as 1766, was disclosed to the researcher.

This church was originally organized under the title of First English and German Congregation in Knowlton. Services were conducted at intervals by Presbyterian pastors in a log meeting house on a site reputed to have been situated opposite that of the present church. This was not a flourishing congregation until early in the nineteenth century. Rev. Phillip Stockton supply pastor to this congregation from 1777 to 1780, requested the Presbytery to liberate him from this charge because of the divided and broken state of this congregation. In addition to this charge he also served Oxford First Church (entry 56), and Mansfield-Woodhouse Church (entry 55). It appears from the following that no pastor serviced this church from 1780 to 1791, when the congregation petitioned for a pastor to administer the sacraments. On the third Sabbath in May, 1791, Rev. Mr. Wilson ordained the elders. Rev. Mr. Condit administered the sacrament in July of that year. In 1796, Rev. Mr. Peppard gave this church some of his time. In 1802, Rev. Ebenezer Grant was appointed to supply this church at his discretion. After the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Peppard, the congregation chose a new Board of Trustees who incorporated as The First Reform Presbyterian German and English Church in Knowlton Township in 1797.

Through subscriptions of the High Dutch Calvinists, Episcopalians and Presbyterians, a new church was erected in 1802, the majority of subscribers being of this faith. In 1805, Rev. David Barclay was installed as pastor for this church in addition to Oxford First Church, each church to pay \$200 toward his salary. In 1807, the congregation incorporated as the First German and English Presbyterian Church in Knowlton, reincorporating in 1815, and again under the present title in 1900. The site for the manse was purchased from Mr. Jehiel I. Snyder in 1869.

The church is a simple frame structure with plain windows.

Rev. Phillip Stockton served this church from 1777 to 1780. The present pastor is Rev. August C. Kellogg, Delaware.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 631, 632.

Session Records (1766-1804, 1 vol., in German), 1766--, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1905--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Harris, Secretary, Columbia. Record of Baptisms, 1776-1810, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Joseph R. Dilts, Custodian, Columbia. Sunday School Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Leigh Reed, Secretary, 95 High Street, Newton. Financial Records, 1939--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Leigh Reed, Treasurer.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, pp. 16, 23, 47; Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 111; Deeds, vol. 40, p. 510; vol. 69, p. 201; vol. 75, p. 210; vol. 187, p. 16.

61. FIRST CHURCH, 1786--. Main Street, Sparta, Sussex County.

Preliminary meetings were held in the residence of Mr. Robert Ogden, Sr., where the congregation organized and incorporated as the First Church of Hardyston in 1786. A house of worship, a mere shell of frame, roofed and weather boarded, was erected the same year on the present site donated by the Proprietors of New Jersey. The North Church of Hardyston (entry 68), and First Church of Hamburg (entry 64) constituted this organization until 1819. Up to 1815, the First Church of Newton (entry 62) was also included in this circuit.

The church was renovated in 1837, raised and a basement constructed under it in 1869. Name was changed to the First Church of Sparta in 1934. This is the sponsor of the First Church of Ogdensburg (entry 97).

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with steeple, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse directly opposite the church was purchased in 1932.

Rev. Hollaway Hunt, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, served this church in conjunction with the North Hardyston Church from 1795 to 1802. The present pastor is Rev. Frederick P. Mudge, Sparta.

Hurd, Whittfield, Centre on the Church Life of the People of Sparta. Sparta, First Presbyterian Church.

Chambers, Theodore F., Historical Sermon, Sparta Presbyterian Church. New York, William Printing Company, 1886. 21 pp.

Mudge, Frederick P., 150th Anniversary of the Church, Sparta, First Presbyterian Church, 1936.

Session Records, 1856--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Eugene Smith, Clerk, Main Street. Trustee Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths; Financial Records containing those of the First Presbyterian Church of Ogdensburg entry 97), 1856--, 3 vols.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1878--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 1; vol. D, p. 397; Deeds, vol. N 3, p. 189; vol. C 8, p. 330.

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62. FIRST CHURCH OF NEWTON, 1786--. High and Church Streets, Newton, Sussex County.

An application for the services of Rev. Ira Condit was presented by the residents to the Hardwick Church, now Yellow Frame Church (entry 59) in 1786. He was installed as pastor of Hardwick, Newton, and Shappanack in 1787, at an installation service conducted by Rev. John Witherspoon, who had the distinction of being the only clergyman signing the Declaration of Independence. Services were conducted in a stone house of worship which was erected in 1786, on the site of the present church, but facing what is now Church Street.

For a number of years this congregation united with the First Church of Sparta (entry 61), but in 1815, a union in support of a pastor was effected between the First Church of Newton and the Yellow Frame Church, which lasted three years. Incorporation was effected by a special act of legislation in 1831.

During construction of the present house of worship which was erected in 1869, dedicated in 1871, and renovated in 1893, services were conducted in the Methodist Church on Park Place and in Ricker's Hall. The manse, at 11 Linwood Avenue, was erected in 1861, on a site purchased from Mr. and Mrs. John Linn, the same year. The chapel adjacent to the church was erected in 1886, and a Recreation Hall added in 1930, at which time the chapel was destroyed by fire and the Recreation Hall slightly damaged. The chapel was replaced in 1931, and is now used as the Sunday School.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Ira Condit served this church from 1787 to 1793. The present pastor is Rev. Charles McKirachen, 11 Linwood Avenue.

Roe, Susan Decker, The One Hundreth Fiftieth Anniversary Booklet, 1786-1936. Newton, First Presbyterian Church, 1936. 18 pp.

Snell, James P., History of Sussex and Warren Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, pp. 262-265.

Session Records, 1812--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Rolland T. Hull, Clerk, Newton. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1872--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Adams, Secretary, 21 Maple Avenue. Congregation Records, 1856--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Francis Morrow, Clerk, Newton. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1826--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1839--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Russell Gill, Secretary, 7 Washington Street; Sunday School Financial Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Gladys Wolf, Treasurer, 40 Mill Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Warren Brandeth, Secretary, 33 Academy Street. Women's

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Record of incorporation and deeds: P. L. 55th Session, 2 sittings, p. 22. Sussex County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 2, p. 3; vol. L 5, p. 346; vol. R 7, p. 465; vol. A 5, p. 385.

63. HARMONY CHURCH, 1807--. Phillipsburg-Belvidere Highway, Harmony, Warren County.

Under the leadership of Rev. William Sloan, pastor of Greenwich Church (entry 57), the congregation operating as a mission of the Greenwich Church held services in barns and private residences at Harmony, until 1806, when they petitioned the Presbytery of Newton for a separate organization. The request was granted in 1807, and a house of worship was erected and dedicated the same year. This church was destroyed by fire in 1840, and replaced by a second house of worship in 1841. This was razed in 1885, and the present house of worship was erected and dedicated in 1886, and remodeled in 1889. The congregation incorporated in 1887.

The church is a frame structure of modified Romanesque architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse, on Harmony Road was erected in 1905, on a site purchased from Mr. Love. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction on the first floor of the church proper.

Rev. Garner A. Hunt served this church from 1807 to 1818. The present pastor is Rev. William R. Dodd, R. F. D., #2, Harmony Road.

Centennial of Newton Presbytery, 1817-1917, Harmony, Harmony Presbyterian Church, 1917, pp. 70, 71.

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Miss Jennie Love, Custodian, Harmony. Financial Records, 1886--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Sanders, Custodian, Harmony.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. P, p. 405; Deeds, vol. 85, p. 191; vol. 124, p. 575; vol. 178, p. 80; vol. 256, p. 484; vol. P, p. 405.

64. FIRST CHURCH OF HAMBURG, 1813-1830. 1869--.
Route 23, Hamburg, Sussex County.

Resident adherents to the Presbyterian faith, attended and were members of the First Church of Hardyston, now Sparta (entry 62). In 1813, these residents in conjunction with Baptists, known as the United Presbyterian and Baptist Societies, erected their first church, where stated services were conducted as late as 1830.

The church was not constituted purely as a Presbyterian Church until 1819, a day previous to the recognition of the North Church of Hardyston (entry 68). Rev. Edward Allen was directed by the Presbytery to preach at both places.

Upon the destruction of the North Church of Hardyston by fire in 1830, and with the erection of a new church, members of both churches agreed to make this new church at Hardyston the central point for worship, resulting in it being recognized as the only organized church in this territory, with all Presbyterians members thereof. This action sounded the death knell of the First Church of Hamburg as an independent church until 1869, when a new house of worship was erected at Hamburg, but not completely finished and dedicated until 1881.

This was known as Bethany Chapel, and served as a Mission of the North Church of Hardyston until 1901, at which time the First Church of Hamburg reorganized and incorporated, and the North Church of Hardyston closed, the membership then being absorbed by this church.

The church is a limestone structure of Gothic architecture, with belfry, bell (formerly Bloomingdale School bell), a rose, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement.

Rev. Edward Allen served this congregation from 1819 to 1820. Rev. Truman A. Kilborne is the present pastor.

Session Records (contain Record of Members, Baptisms, Marriages, Session Minutes, Annual Reports of Trustees, and Congregational Minutes), 1901--, 2 vols.; 1901-25, 1 vol., in the vault of the Hardyston National Bank, Hamburg; 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1901--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Alva Davis, Secretary, Hamburg. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 5 vols., in custody of Miss Jennie Kinney, Secretary and Treasurer, Hamburg. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Alva Davis, Secretary. Women's Auxiliary Financial Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Robert Tidaback, Treasurer, Hamburg. Ladies' Aid Records, 1916--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Grant Edsal,

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Secretary and Treasurer, Hamburg. Financial Records, 1934--, 6 vols., in custody of Mrs. Frank Rollison, Treasurer, Hamburg.

Record of incorporation and deed: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. C, p. 33; Deeds, vol. 9, p. 430.

65. MARKSBORO CHURCH, 1813--. Along State Highway from Blirstown to Newton, Marksboro, Warren County.

During the pastorate of Rev. John Boyd, pastor of the First Church of Hardwick, now Yellow Frame Church (entry 59), a conflict occurred between the young people of his congregation and himself which resulted in his resignation in 1811, whereupon a group of sympathizers withdrew, and organized and incorporated as the Second Church of Hardwick under the leadership of Rev. Boyd, who conducted services in a Sunday School located in Marksboro. This newly formed congregation was not recognized by the presbytery however, and became known as the Congregational Church of Hardwick until 1813, when it conformed to Presbyterian polity and incorporated as the Marksboro Presbyterian Church in 1815.

During construction of a house of worship which was partially erected on the present site in 1815, and completed in 1821, services were conducted in the residences of members, in the upper room of a tavern, and in a neighboring barn, owned by Mr. A. R. Mott. The church was replaced by the present house of worship in 1859, renovated in 1894, and again in 1915.

The church is a white frame structure of no particular type of architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse directly opposite the church was purchased in 1869. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

Rev. John Boyd served this church from 1814 to 1820. The present pastor is Rev. Fred F. Schell, R. D. #2, Blirstown.

Centennial of Newton Presbytery, Marksboro, Marksboro Presbyterian Church, 1917, pp. 81-83.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 43; vol. A, p. 46; Deeds, vol. E, p. 165; Warren County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 44, p. 198; vol. 65, p. 451; vol. 119, p. 401.

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66. FIRST CHURCH OF WANTAGE, 1818--. Clove Valley Section, Sussex, Sussex County.

Through the efforts of Rev. Elias Van Ben Schooten the congregation affiliated with the Dutch Reformed Classis of New Brunswick in 1787, holding services in the barn of Mr. Helmos Titsworth. The congregation petitioned the Classis for dismissal in 1817, and were accepted by Newton Presbytery the same year. It was incorporated as the First Church of Wantage in 1817, at which time a frame house of worship was erected near the site of the present church. Services continued here until 1830, at which time the present structure was erected and dedicated. This church, located well up on the Clove, is one of the historic churches of the Presbytery and is known locally as the Clove Church. Since 1902, services have been held but once a year.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Gershon Williams served this church from 1818 to 1820. There is no pastor at present.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. Z, p. 48; Deeds, vol. H 3, p. 151; vol. 26, p. 78; vol. L 3, p. 457; vol. W 4, p. 135.

67. AUGUSTA CHURCH, 1819-1854. Extinct. Augusta, Sussex County.

The organization meeting was held in the old Union Church (now Church Hill), where organization and incorporation as the First Church of Frankford occurred in 1819. Services were removed to schoolhouses at Branchville and Augusta (Augusta was then a village of more importance

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than Branchville), until 1827. During these seven years, the congregation was served by three pastors.

With the increase in membership, the congregation decided to erect a church of its own. Under the leadership of Mr. Conklin, Augusta Church was erected in 1827, on a site donated by Colonel John Gustin the same year. A manse was erected a half mile from the church in 1837, on a site acquired by Rev. Bethuel Farrand.

Between 1849 and 1858, the growth of the congregation was rather slow. Branchville was becoming a town of considerable importance. For this reason and because of the proximity of the Frankford Plains Methodist Church, and the need of Branchville itself, which was considered "a very godless village and singularly given to drunkenness and kindred evils", services were removed to the Branchville Church (entry 82) in 1854, at which time Augusta Church was closed, and subsequently sold to Mr. George Roe in 1875. The pastor's study, which contained the records of the church, was destroyed by fire in 1874.

Rev. Enos A. Osborn served this church from 1827 to 1831.

Chedester, F. Stanley, A Brief History of the Branchville Presbyterian Church. Branchville, Augusta Church, 1820-1920. 15 pp.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 55; Deeds, vol. E 3, p. 302; vol. C, pp. 470, 471; vol. N 4, p. 8; vol. W 5, p. 295.

68. NORTH CHURCH OF HARDYSTON, 1819-1901. Merged.
North Church Road, North Church, Sussex County.

This church was organized and incorporated by former members of the First Church of Hardyston, now Sparta (entry 61), a day after the organization of the First Church of Hamburg (entry 64). The first services of the newly organized church were held in the Cary Meeting House, reputed to have been erected in 1782, as an outstation of the First Church of Hardyston. This building was rebuilt in 1815, and destroyed by fire in 1830. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1831. The site for the church and adjoining manse was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Beardslee in 1831.

This congregation united with that of the First Church of Hamburg in 1830, and the latter named church then ceased as a separate organization. The church at Hamburg was then referred to as Bethany Chapel, and served as an outstation of the North Church of Hardyston which became the First Church of Hamburg, again in 1901.

In 1901, this congregation united with the established Hamburg Church, and the church here closed its doors, although occasional services were conducted during summer months as late as 1928.

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The church is a stone structure of Colonial architecture.

Rev. Edward Allen served this church from 1819 to 1820.

Haines, Alanson A., Hardyston Memorial. Newton, New Jersey Herald Print, 1888. 181 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 53; Deeds, vol. F 4, p. 250.

69. DANVILLE CHURCH, 1823--. Main Street,
Great Meadows, Warren County.

The Danville Presbyterian Church was originally an outstation or mission of the Hackettstown Presbyterian Church (entry 58). Land for erection of this church was donated by Mr. William Van Buskirk, when organization and incorporation took place in 1823. Construction was started immediately, but due to financial difficulties the church remained unfinished until 1831. In the meantime it was used as a meeting house in this unfinished condition. A carpenter's bench was used as a pulpit desk. The manse adjacent to the church was purchased in 1868.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted on the balcony of the church.

Rev. Joseph Worrell served this church from 1824 to 1827. The church is without a pastor.

Session Records, 1831--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John N. Balmoos, Secretary, Route #6, Vienna. Trustee Records, 1906--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Allen, Secretary, Route #6, Great Meadows. Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1824--., 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1909--., 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Keith Stidworth, Secretary, Vienna. Ladies' Aid Records, 1923--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles Almer, Secretary, Vienna. Financial Records, 1906--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Allen, Treasurer.

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Record of incorporations and deed: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 3; Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 4, p. 284; Deeds, vol. 73, p. 249.

70. FIRST CHURCH OF STILLWATER, 1823--. Main Street,
Stillwater, Sussex County.

This organization consisting of two congregations comprised the German Reformed and Evangelical Lutheran denominations. Preliminary meetings were held in the old stone house of worship which was erected in 1771, on old Marksboro Road, half mile out of Stillwater, on a site purchased from Mr. John Barnhardt in 1740. After affiliation with the Dutch Reformed Association of Hardwick in 1783, the congregation petitioned the Classis of New Brunswick for dismissal in 1822, and were accepted by the Presbytery of Newton in 1823, at which time it organized and incorporated as the Stone Church of Hardwick. Services continued in the old stone house until 1832, when it was considered unsafe, the services being removed to the village schoolhouse, and continued there until the present house of worship was erected in 1838, on the present site purchased from Mr. Peter Shafer in 1837. The church was dedicated in 1839, and renovated in 1919. Reincorporated as the First Church of Stillwater in 1851.

The church is a frame structure of Dutch Colonial architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse is located a half block from the church, and was purchased from Dr. Moore in 1894. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the lecture room of the church.

Rev. B. I. Lowe served this church from 1823 to 1829. The present pastor is Rev. Fred F. Schell, Stillwater.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 67; vol. B, p. 50; Deeds, vol. X 3, p. 202; vol. O 4, p. 345; vol. O 4, p. 347; vol. X 8, p. 253; vol. Z 8, p. 105.

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71. SECOND CHURCH OF STILLWATER, 1833-1853. Dissolved.
SWARTSWOOD CHURCH, 1853-1896. Dissolved. Swartswood,
Sussex County.

Messrs. Thomas A. Dildine, Peter Keane, William Titman, and Jacob Roof joined with others in the erection of a framed union house of worship about two and one half miles north of Stillwater. There was no church organization, but the name Second Presbyterian Church of Stillwater was bestowed by common consent because of the various denominations meeting there; those professing the Presbyterian faith were in the majority, incorporating in 1833.

Services were conducted by ministers supplied by the Newton Presbytery; although to 1837, the greater part of the preaching was provided by Rev. Thomas McDermot, pastor of the First Church of Stillwater (entry 70). The church was dissolved by the presbytery in October 1853.

The congregation reorganized and incorporated as Swartswood Presbyterian Church in 1853, holding services in the union house of worship until 1855, when it was considered unsafe and subsequently razed. Services were removed to the new house of worship which was erected and dedicated in 1855, on the site given by Mr. and Mrs. John Kettle and Mr. John Rorback in 1854. This church was dissolved in 1896, by the presbytery, its members joining the First Church of Stillwater.

The church was a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Thomas B. Condit served this congregation from 1855 to 1896.

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Webb, Edward, Sketch in Sussex County Historical Directory, 1872, p. 55. In Dennis Library, Newton.

Records of Second Presbyterian Church of Stillwater and Swartswood Presbyterian Church are in the custody of Mr. William Earl, Clerk of Sessions of the First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater (entry 70).

Record of incorporations and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, pp. 11, 46; Deeds, vol. P 4, pp. 494, 529.

72. BEEMERVILLE CHURCH, 1834--. Main Street, Beemerville,
Sussex County.

Prior to the advent of railroads in Sussex County, Beemerville was an extensive trading center for miles around bringing an influx of inhabitants which resulted in an over abundance of members in the First Presbyterian Church of Wantage (entry 66) in 1833, necessitating the organization of a second church. Application to the Presbytery of Jersey was accordingly made, and the Second Presbyterian Church of Wantage was organized and incorporated on July 13, 1834.

Services were held in the old Union Church until 1835, when the present house of worship was erected and dedicated on the site purchased from Rev. Edward Allen and wife in 1837. The name was changed to Beemerville Presbyterian Church in 1903.

In 1844, the Papakating Church (entry 90) merged with this church, continuing in that capacity until 1882, at which time it became a fully constituted church organization. In 1896, when the church was closed, the property was put in trust of this organization.

The church is a framed structure of meeting house architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church. The manse on Main Street was purchased from Mr. James N. Jarvie in 1921.

Rev. Edward Allen served this congregation from 1834 to 1841. At present the church has no pastor.

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Secretary, R. D. 3, Sussex. Young People's Christian Endeavor Financial Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Helen Christy, Treasurer, R. D. 3, Sussex. Financial Records, 1932--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Jennie Meckert, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 19; vol. C, p. 75; Deeds, vol. F 4, p. 582 $\frac{1}{2}$; vol. D 12, p. 56; vol. W 4, p. 135.

73. FIRST CHURCH 1834--. 224 Mansfield Street,
Belvidere, Warren County.

The Presbyterians of Belvidere were without a church from 1825 to 1834. During this time they attended services at the Oxford Church (entry 56) or held services at the Croxall House and the Court House.

In 1830, at a meeting, a corporation was formed for the purpose of building its own church. As yet there was no organized congregation, as the Presbyterians of Belvidere and vicinity were still members of the Oxford Church (now Hazen). At this meeting land was donated and plans for erection of church started, which was completed and congregation incorporated in 1834. The manse was purchased in 1848.

The erection of a new church took place in 1855, and in 1859, extensive repairs were made. The early Presbyterians were the first to have a settled pastor of any denomination in this area for their three churches at Oxford, Mansfield-Woodhouse (entry 56, 55), and Greenwich (entry 57).

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, two bells, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Isaac Newton Candee, a graduate of Union College; Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1834 to 1840. The present pastor is Rev. Paul Lam, 224 Mansfield Street.

Acton, Alexander A., Centennial Anniversary, Belvidere, First Church, 1834-1934. Belvidere, First Church, 1934.

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Miss Nell T. Mann, Secretary, 217 Paul Street. Women's Missionary Records, 1891-1908, 1913-18, 1931--, 6 vols., in custody of Mrs. Ella Allen, President, 206 Greenwich Street; 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Alfred Litzenberger, Secretary, 116 Greenwich Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1910--, 4 vols.; 1910-31, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Marvel Bray, Secretary, 424 Hardwick Street; 1910--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Sue A. Lockard, Treasurer, 422 Hardwick Street. Financial Records, 1845--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Samuel Whitmore, Vice President.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 5; Deeds, vol. 9, p. 152; vol. 12, p. 1; vol. 29, p. 354.

74. MUSCONETCONG VALLEY CHURCH, 1836--. Hampton-Asbury Road, Hampton, Hunterdon County.

This Musconetcong Valley Church is one of the historic churches in this section of the country. It was the outgrowth of the New Hampton Sabbath School organized by Mrs. Bousenburg, of Philadelphia. The first step towards its organization was taken in 1836, at the New Hampton schoolhouse. The church was formally organized, incorporated and the church was erected in 1837. The church site was donated by Mr. Jacob Spinner. During the building of the church, services were held in a tent on the grounds.

This church was the protege of Mansfield Presbyterian Church (entry 55), and became the sponsor of Asbury and Glen Gardner Churches (entry 87, 332).

The manse located on Route #30 was purchased and erected in 1877. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel.

The church is a stone and stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. John McNair, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1837 to 1840. The present pastor is Rev. John A. H. McLean, Route #30, Hampton.

Snell, James P., History of Somerset and Hunterdon Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 464.

Session Records, 1836--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William W. Weisel, Clerk, Main Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1916--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harold Dalrymple, Secretary, Bunnvale Road, High Bridge. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1837--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1940--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harry Hiner, Secretary, Route #30. Women's Missionary Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Bertha Walters, Secretary, Main Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 252; Deeds, vol. 134, p. 502; vol. 217, p. 648.

75. FIRST CHURCH OF STANHOPE, 1838--. Corner Main and New Streets, Stanhope, Sussex County.

Under the leadership of Rev. Joseph C. Moore, pastor of the First Church of Succasunna (entry 430), a group of members residing in Stanhope organized as the First Church of Stanhope in 1838, holding services in the Stanhope Schoolhouse, and incorporating in 1839.

The present house of worship erected in 1845, on the site given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brooks the same year was enlarged in 1867, and again in 1929.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with tower and cathedral windows. The manse, directly opposite the church was erected in 1885, on a site given by the Musconetcong Iron Works the same year. This was renovated in 1929. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in a room which was added to the church in 1929.

Rev. Nathaniel Elmer, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1843 to 1844. The present pastor is Rev. Walter A. Greenway, Main Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 26; Deeds, vol. G 4, p. 70; vol. Y 7, p. 525.

76. FIRST CHURCH, 1839--. Corner Unionville Avenue and Church Street, Sussex (formerly Deckertown), Sussex County.

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At the request of several members of the First Church of Wantage (entry 66) residing in the village of Deckertown (now Sussex), the pastor Rev. George Pierson, effected the organization and incorporation of the Third Church of Wantage in 1839.

Services were conducted in the old frame Union Church on the hill (located about a quarter of a mile from the present church), until 1845, when a new house of worship was erected and dedicated on the present site donated by Elder Lewis Whitaker, the same year. The manse at 49 Bank Street was erected in 1872, on a site donated by Mr. William Rankin in 1870. The church was renovated and enlarged in 1876, and again in 1892, at which time the congregation became known as the First Church of Deckertown. The name was changed to First Church of Sussex when the village of Deckertown became Sussex in 1902.

The church is a frame structure of modified Colonial architecture, with tower, bell, rose and cathedral windows. The Sunday School adjoins the church.

Rev. James Wood, a graduate of Lafayette College, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1839 to 1845. The present pastor is Rev. Acton J. W. Mowatt, 49 Bank Street.

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77. FIRST CHURCH, 1840--. Douglass Street,
Blairstown, Warren County.

The congregation of this church prior to the building of its own church, met and incorporated in 1839, in the old brick schoolhouse at Gravel Hill. In 1840, the church was organized by a committee of Newton Presbytery, with members from the Knowlton Presbyterian Church (entry 60). These two churches constituted one pastoral charge for over ten years. The church was built and dedicated in 1840, on a site secured from Mrs. William Hankinson. In 1848, the old manse was erected on a site donated by Mr. John I. Blair. The present manse is located on High Street.

The Session resolved to open a parochial school, the relation between this school (now Blair Academy) and the church has always been very close, the pastor of the church being the president of the Board of Directors.

The old church was torn down and rebuilt on the same site in 1871.

The church is a stuccoed structure of American architecture, with a spire, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Ira B. Condit served this church from 1840 to 1841. The present pastor is Rev. Leon A. Davison, High Street, Blairstown.

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78. OXFORD SECOND CHURCH, 1848--. Washington Avenue,
Oxford, Warren County.

The discovery of iron ore in the vicinity of Oxford Furnace in 1741, caused the influx of inhabitants which resulted in the organization of a new Township named Oxford in 1753.

Many of the inhabitants comprised of the Dutch, Huguenots, Puritans, Scotch-Irish and Germans organized as a mission of Oxford First Church (entry 56), in 1848, holding services in a stone chapel which was erected by the Oxford First Church in 1844. Services were continued here until 1848, at which time a house of worship and a stone chapel were erected on land given by Mr. and Mrs. William P. Robeson of Oxford to the Trustees of Oxford First Church the same year.

The congregation incorporated as Oxford Second Church in 1864, at which time the Trustees of Oxford First Church conveyed some of their property to the Trustees of the Oxford Second Church.

The present house of worship was erected and dedicated in 1866, on the present site given by Mr. and Mrs. Seldon T. Scranton in 1864. The manse adjoining the church was erected in 1873. In 1884, the stone chapel was razed and replaced in 1885, by a frame chapel, the present meeting place of Sunday School classes.

The church is a brick structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Isaac Bardsley Hopwood, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this congregation from 1863 to 1865. The present pastor is Rev. Andrew G. Young, Oxford.

Young, Andrew G., A Complete History of Oxford Second Church. Oxford, Washington Star, 1932.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 40; Deeds, vol. 73, p. 311; vol. 87, p. 482.

79. SECOND CHURCH, 1849--. Market Street, Belvidere,
Warren County.

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Preliminary services of the Second Church were held in the Old Academy Building located at Greenwich and Third Streets.

A group of members from the First Presbyterian Church (entry 73) organized this Second Church in 1849, at which time a cornerstone was laid on a site donated by Dr. J. M. Paul in 1850, at which time incorporation was effected.

In 1868, Dr. Paul again donated to the church a site in the rear of the church on which the Stadlemen Institute Building was erected for parsonage purposes, with sufficient funds to renovate a building and turn it into a manse.

The church is a frame structure of Swiss architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward Allen served this church from 1850 to 1852. The present pastor is Rev. Wilbur Thrush, 418 Paul Street.

Snell, James P., History of Warren and Sussex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 542.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 65; Deeds, vol. 44, p. 387; vol. 187, p. 502.

80. STEWARTSVILLE CHURCH. 1850--. Stewartsville, Warren County.

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The early white settlers in this region, a God-fearing people of Scotch, Scotch-Irish, German, and Dutch birth or descent, petitioned the Presbytery of New Brunswick in 1739, for ministerial services. The request was favorably considered, and supplies were sent from time to time, conducting services in groves, log houses, and barns.

Services were conducted in this manner until 1755, at which time Rev. Mr. Rosbrugh, pastor of Greenwich Church (entry 57), Mansfield-Woodhouse Church, now First Church of Washington (entry 55), and Oxford First Church (entry 56), conducted bi-monthly services in the old Academy. This did not satisfy the religious needs of the people however, and they decided to have a house of worship of their own. The present house of worship was erected and dedicated in 1850, on the site donated by Mr. John Fulmer. Incorporation ensued the same year. The church was enlarged in 1853.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the basement of the church.

Rev. George Clinton Bush, a graduate of Princeton University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1851 to 1862. The present pastor, Rev. Mehran H. Looloian, Stewartsville, serves this and Trinity Church, Phillipsburg (entry 95).

Centennial of Newton Presbytery, 1817-1917. Stewartsville, Stewartsville Church, 1917.

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Record of incorporation and Deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 67; Deeds, vol. 37, p. 181; vol. 59, pp. 274, 279; vol. 136, p. 161.

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81. FIRST CHURCH, 1853--. Market and South Main Streets, Phillipsburg, Warren County.

The early history of Presbyterianism in Phillipsburg dates back to 1740, when the saintly David Brainerd, clergyman, missionary, and physician, ministered to the Lenni-Lenape Indians. Tradition tells us that a log house of worship was erected in 1744, where the D. L. & W. railroad intersects Brainerd Street, which was razed before the close of that century, with some itinerant Methodist or Presbyterian missionary occasionally holding services.

It was not until 1852, that a church organization was effected at a meeting in the Old Academy (present site of Sitsgreaves School). A cornerstone for the present church was laid in 1853, and the church erected and dedicated in 1858. A manse was erected in 1868, and sold in 1883. This church organized the North End Mission (entry 88), and the Westminster Church (entry 92).

The church is a stone structure of Norman Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The present brick manse at 80 South Main Street was erected in 1892. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

Rev. Smith Sturges served this church from 1854 to 1867. The present pastor is Rev. Gorman Roff, 80 South Main Street.

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Record of deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 39, p. 320; vol. 148, p. 409.

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82. FIRST CHURCH, 1854--. Wantage Avenue, Branchville, Sussex County.

The preliminary meeting was held in the old Union Church (now Church Hill) where the congregation organized and incorporated as the First Church of Frankford in 1819. Services were removed to schoolhouses at Branchville and Augusta until 1827, when Augusta Church (entry 67) was erected.

Between 1849 and 1858, while Augusta was decreasing in population, Branchville was becoming a town of considerable importance. For this reason and because of the proximity of the Frankford Plains Methodist Church, and the need of Branchville itself, which was considered "a very godless village and singularly given to drunkenness and kindred evils", an effort was made by the pastor and Mr. Simeon H. Stivers to erect a church in Branchville. Augusta Church was closed in 1854. The First Church of Branchville was erected and dedicated, and the congregation incorporated the same year. The pastor's study, which contained the records of the church from 1819 to 1874, was destroyed by fire. The church was enlarged in 1876, and renovated in 1896.

The church is a frame structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, with a bell. The manse, opposite the Methodist manse was erected in 1909. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the basement of the church.

Rev. George W. Lloyd who was educated in England, served this church from 1857 to 1866; 1883 to 1889. The present pastor is Rev. Henry M. Hartmann, Branchville.

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83. SECOND MANSFIELD CHURCH, 1855--. Rockport Road, Rockport, Warren County.

Members of this church when organized and incorporated in 1855, held their meetings in the former Rockport Academy. In 1856, the present church was completed and dedicated on the present site, given by Mr. David C. Davis in 1845 although no deed was recorded.

The church is affiliated with the Danville Presbyterian Church (entry 69), because there is no manse at Rockport and the church is not large enough to support a minister, Rev. Victor E. Tudor supplies both churches and lives in the manse at Great Meadows.

Sunday School classes are held in the church, but social gatherings are held in the Community House a short distance east of the church.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Holloway Hunt served this church from 1856 to 1861. The church is without a pastor at present.

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Record of incorporation: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 97.

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84. FIRST CHURCH, 1856--. Main Street, Lafayette,
Sussex County.

Preliminary services were held in school houses that were open to all denominations. In 1856, this church was organized by the Presbytery of Rockport. In 1857, the church was erected and dedicated. This church and the Methodist Church have been affiliated for approximately the past six years. Neither congregation was financially able to support its respective church alone. The present pastor is of the Methodist faith and preaches in both churches alternately. This is not a Federated Church, each denomination having its own Official Board. The organizations of both churches function independently. The present manse on Newton Avenue was erected in 1899, on land purchased from the William Armstrong Estate.

The church is a plain stuccoed structure, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Joel Campbell, was the first pastor, serving this church from 1857 to 1872. At present this church is without a pastor.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 67; Deeds, vol. T 4, p. 581; vol. G 8, p. 284; vol. O 8, p. 479.

85. BLOOMSBURY CHURCH, 1857--. Church Street,
Bloomsbury, Hunterdon County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1857, by members who attended the Old Greenwich Presbyterian Church (entry 57) in Stewartsville. In the same year Mr. Adam D. Runkle donated and deeded over to the congregation the present site.

The congregation which had previously worshiped in a school, built a frame church on this land. This building was later damaged by a storm which swept through the valley, blowing down the steeple, cracking the bell, and damaging the structure. The building however was repaired, and the same building, much beautified within recent years,

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still stands. The manse was erected in 1869. Sunday School classes are held in the church auditorium and in the basement.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. William E. Westervelt, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1858 to 1861. The present pastor is Rev. Melvin A. Dillin, 25 Main Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 376; Deeds, vol. 118, pp. 13-15; vol. 140, p. 527.

86. ANDOVER CHURCH, 1858--. Lenape Road, Andover, Sussex County.

A group of men and women petitioned the Presbytery of Newton at a meeting held at Asbury in April 1858, for the organization of a church in Andover. A committee of three ministers and elders was appointed by the Presbytery to meet with the petitioners at a schoolhouse in Andover, the meeting place of this group, in September 1858, where the request was granted and the congregation incorporated as Andover Church the same year.

The present church was erected and dedicated in 1859. A basement was added in 1869, and the interior of the church renovated in 1896. The first manse on Main Street (present residence of Mrs. N. J. Hardy) was purchased in 1873. This served as the home of the pastor until 1876, when a manse on Brighton Road and Maple Street was erected, and

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subsequently destroyed by fire in 1925, at which time the present manse adjoining the site of the second manse was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. John W. Thompson.

The church is a plain white frame structure, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the basement of the church.

Rev. Edward Webb, a graduate of Andover Theological Seminary, served this church from 1871 to 1873. The present pastor is Rev. Henry Hale, 3rd, Brighton Road and Maple Street.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1858--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George Dickerson, Clerk, Huntsville. Sunday School Records, 1858--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Herbert H. Kerr, Custodian, Lake Lenape. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1838--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Howell, Custodian, Andover. Women's Missionary Society Financial Records, 1883--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. F. M. K. Miller, Custodian, Andover. Progressive Society Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Douglas Hill, Secretary, Andover. Progressive Society Financial Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Elmira Philips, Treasurer, Andover. Financial Records, 1858--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Hendricks Pivs, Custodian, Andover.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 78; Deeds, vol. K 6, p. 153; vol. S 6, p. 424; vol. Z 8, p. 395; vol. F 9, p. 224; vol. Y 12, p. 122.

87. FIRST CHURCH, 1860--. Church Street,
Asbury, Warren County.

Members of the Musconetcong Valley Church (entry 74) residing in Asbury, held monthly services in the Asbury Academy, a Sunday School, which was erected in 1850, on the site donated by Mr. Van Antwerp.

The congregation petitioned the Presbytery of Newton for a separate organization at Asbury in 1860, and incorporated as the First Church of Asbury the same year.

Asbury Academy was razed in 1868, at which time the present house of worship, a plain red brick structure, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows, was erected and dedicated. It was renovated in 1919. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the basement of the church.

Rev. J. R. Eckard, a Professor of Lafayette College, served this church from 1860 to 1867. The present pastor is Rev. Alexander Acton, Asbury.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 136; Deeds, vol. 71, p. 552; vol. 196, p. 443; vol. 120, p. 637.

88. NORTH END MISSION, 1868-1931. Extinct. North Main Street, Phillipsburg, Warren County.

This mission was originally started as a Sunday School in 1868, when Mr. William Wilhelm of 58 Broad Street noticed a large number of children who seemed to have no regard for the Sabbath, playing in the streets on Sunday. He was determined to give these children a religious training and induced them to come to his home on Sundays, where they received Bible instruction for a few years, discontinuing when Mr. Wilhelm moved to West Easton.

Religious instruction was resumed in 1873, when Rev. H. B. Townsend, pastor of the First Church of Phillipsburg (entry 81) became interested in the former organization and conducted services in the residence of Mrs. Margaret Rodenbough, at 49 Broad Street. An increase in membership necessitated the removal to more spacious quarters at the old public school, which was purchased by Rev. Townsend and removed to a site at the corner of Howell and Hess Avenues given by the late Mr. Joseph Howell, and named Howell Sunday School.

The chapel was a plain frame structure, with a bell and small colored lights on the windows, and was erected and dedicated in 1887, on the present site, which was purchased the same year and the name changed to North End Mission. This chapel was enlarged three times to meet the growing needs.

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When this mission became incorporated in 1910, it was known as the largest mission in the county. But as the years went by, the attendance dwindled so that by 1931, the Trustees were obliged to close the mission. The property was sold in 1936, and the proceeds turned over to Trinity Church, Phillipsburg (entry 95), to carry on its work.

Superintendent Enoch I. Davis served this mission from 1873 to 1876.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 4, p. 273; Deeds, vol. 192, pp. 514-516.

89. CHURCH OF DELAWARE STATION, 1871--. Clarence Street,
Delaware, Warren County.

This congregation originally held the services in the Railroad Station and was organized in the village of Delaware by the authority of Newton Presbytery in 1871, as a mission of the Knowlton Presbyterian Church (entry 60). The congregation incorporated in 1872, and the church was erected in 1873, and dedicated in 1875.

The church and manse sites were donated by Mr. John I. Blair, in 1879.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Peter Brooks served this church for one month during 1871. The present pastor is Rev. Augustus C. Kellogg, Delaware.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's

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90. PAKATING CHURCH, 1882-1896. Extinct.
Papakating, Wantage Township, Sussex County.

The congregation comprising settlers from Connecticut, conducted services at the Beemer Meeting House (the first and only Congregational church in Sussex County), which is located near the old Blooming Grove School. Its government at first was Presbyterian in form, but afterwards it united with the Connecticut Association and became Congregational.

On July 13, 1844, the congregation by a unanimous vote, united with the Second Presbyterian Church of Wantage, now Beemerville Church (entry 72), although services were continued at the Beemer Meeting House. In 1882, this church was constituted a separate organization by the Presbytery of Newton, and incorporated as the Papakating Presbyterian Church in 1886. Dissolved by action of the Presbytery on January 21, 1896, its property was put in trust of the Beemerville Presbyterian Church.

The church was a frame structure of meeting house architecture. It is in such a dilapidated condition and unfit for services that it is used to store hay.

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Incorporations, vol. B, p. 239.

91. BEATTYSTOWN CHURCH, 1886--. Hackettstown, R. F. D.,
Beattystown, Warren County.

The first place of worship previous to the erection of the present school house was in 1845. Services were held in an old school and after that in the new school house until the chapel was erected in 1882, on a site purchased and dedicated in the same year.

This congregation is a branch of the Hackettstown Presbyterian Church (entry 58). The official name of the Beattystown Church at the time of erection until incorporation, was Presbyterian Chapel. This name was changed to its present name when organized and incorporated in 1886.

The manse site was purchased in 1909, and erected a short distance east of the church on route #24 in 1910.

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The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower, steeple, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Alexander Proudfit, a graduate of Rutgers College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1878 to 1884. At present the church is without a pastor.

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Record of deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office Deeds, vol. 119, p. 1; vol. 134, p. 1; vol. 188, p. 229.

92. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1886--. 145 Chambers Street, Phillipsburg, Warren County.

Members of the Second Presbyterian Sunday School as this church was first known organized this Westminster Presbyterian Church in 1886, holding their meetings in a building called Dull Hall at 145 Chambers Street. The congregation incorporated in 1887.

The site for the church was donated by Mr. John I. Blair and his wife in 1888, at which time ground was broken and the cornerstone laid. Due to circumstances the church was not completed until 1893. Prior to completion, all services were held in what is now the Sunday School room. The manse was erected and ready for occupancy in 1907. Repairs to the church were made in 1939.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows.

Rev. E. Clark Kline, a graduate of Lafayette College, served this church from 1886 to 1903. The present pastor is Rev. John C. Tanis, 46 Summit Street.

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Dedication of the Church Building. Phillipsburg, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1902. 20 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 160; Deeds, vol. 136, p. 185: vol. 185, p. 87.

93. FIRST CHURCH, 1894--. 41 Main Street, Franklin, Sussex County.

Preliminary meetings were held in the Old First Particular Baptist Church of Hardyston which was abandoned by the Baptists in 1853. In 1877, the congregation being without a pastor, affiliated with the Dutch Reformed denomination under the Classis of Passaic until 1893, when it petitioned the Classis for dismissal. It organized and affiliated with the Presbytery of Newton in 1894, and incorporated as the First Church of Franklin the same year. For a brief time in 1900, the congregation of the Franklin Hungarian Church (entry 96) were permitted to hold services in this church.

The church was rebuilt in 1913, and dedicated in 1914. It is a plain onestory brick structure with a square belfry, and windows of Gothic design. The manse at 5 Oak Street, was erected in 1902, on the site donated by the New Jersey Zinc Company, the same year.

Rev. George B. Crawford served this church from 1894 to 1896. The present pastor is Rev. Herbert J. Allsup, 5 Oak Street.

Allsup, Herbert Justin, A Brief History of Church Life in Franklin, New Jersey. Franklin, First Church, 1934. 50 pp.

Session Records, 1894--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. James Pellow, Custodian, Academy Street, Hamburg. Trustee Records, 1894--,

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94. ALPHA MAGYAR CHURCH, 1907--. North Boulevard at Second Street, Alpha, Warren County.

This group organized in 1904, as the Magyar Evangelical Reformed Presbyterian Church of Alpha. The trustees incorporated in 1905. Because of the leaning of a strong group of this church, to the Hungarian Reformed Church, at the time of its origin, it was not accepted by the Newton Presbytery until 1907.

Between 1904 and 1907, services were first held in an old hall on Third Street, and later in the Baptist Church of Alpha. The present site was secured from the New Jersey Baptist Convention in 1908, soon after affiliating with the Newton Presbytery, and the church was completed and dedicated in the same year. The Franklin Hungarian Presbyterian Church (entry 96) was organized as a mission of this church in 1908. The manse located on South Boulevard was erected in 1916.

The church was remodeled in 1918, and again in 1937. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church.

The church is a plain stone structure on a foundation of concrete blocks, with a steeple, two bells, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Ujlaky, a graduate of Hungarian Institution of Ministers in Sarospatat, Hungary, served this church from 1905 to 1909. The present pastor is Rev. Andrew Szabo, Alpha.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 423; Deeds, vol. 185, p. 341.

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95. TRINITY CHURCH, 1907--. Belvidere Road, Phillipsburg, Warren County.

Through the efforts of Rev. James Moore, pastor of Westminster Church, Phillipsburg (entry 92), the congregation organized as a Sunday School in 1903, holding services in the Delaware Park Public School. The congregation incorporated as Delaware Park Mission in 1917. A chapel was erected the same year and dedicated in 1918, on the present site donated by Mr. Isaac Vanatta in 1916. A church organization was effected in 1928, at a meeting of the Commission from the Newton Presbytery and became known as Trinity Church the same year. The church was enlarged and rededicated in 1938, through a substantial sum donated by the Trustees of the North End Mission, Phillipsburg (entry 88) in 1936.

The church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

Rev. James Moore, a graduate of Lafayette College served this church from 1907 to 1923. Rev. Mehran H. Looloian, the present pastor, residing at Stewartsville, serves this church in conjunction with the Stewartsville Church (entry 80).

De Reamer, Mrs. Seeley, History of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Phillipsburg, Trinity Church, 1935. Ms.

Dedication and Tenth Anniversary Services. Phillipsburg Van Sickle Publishing Company, 1938.

Session Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Albert Driesbach, Secretary, 265 Hudson Street. Trustee Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William A. Colver, Secretary, 639 Ferguson Street, Hillcrest. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1907--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert Driesbach, Custodian, Hudson Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1916--, 6 vols., in custody of Mrs. Russell Anderson, Custodian, Delaware Park. Financial Records, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. John Sachs, Treasurer, Delaware Park.

Record of incorporation and deed: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 5, p. 58; Deeds, vol. 248, p. 71.

96. FRANKLIN HUNGARIAN CHURCH, 1908--. Evans Street, Franklin, Sussex County.

For a brief time in 1900, the Hungarians residing in and around Franklin had services conducted in their language by a Hungarian minister in the First Church of Franklin (entry 93).

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It was not until 1908, that services were resumed in the residence of Mr. George Antalich, where they organized as a mission of Alpha Magyar Church, Alpha (entry 94), then removed to the First Church of Franklin, where they remained for six months.

An old schoolhouse located in Edison was donated by Mr. Antalich in 1909, and moved to the present site donated by the New Jersey Zinc Company the same year, where it was remodeled into the present house of worship.

On October 16, 1910, the organization severed its connection with the Alpha Magyar Church, placing itself under the jurisdiction of the Eastern Hungarian Classis in America of the Synod of Hungary. Support from the mother church in Hungary was cut off soon after the World War, as were all Hungarian Churches in America. Under the pastorate of Rev. Ladislau Szabo, the church affiliated with the Diocese of Newark of the Protestant Episcopal Church. In 1932, he relinquished his pastorate, and upon his departure, the Newark Diocese severed its affiliation. The church became affiliated with the Presbytery of Newton in 1935.

The church is a frame structure with the original school bell in the belfry. The manse adjoining the church was erected in 1911, on additional property given by the New Jersey Zinc Company. Sunday School classes are conducted for six or seven weeks during the summer in the church.

Rev. John Ambaus served this church from 1908 to 1910. The present pastor is Alexander Harsanyi.

Allsup, Herbert Justin, A Brief History of Church Life in Franklin, New Jersey, Franklin, Franklin Hungarian Church, 1934, pp. 15-19.

Ferenczy, Paul, Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Reformed Church of Franklin, New Jersey. Franklin, Franklin Hungarian Church, 1933. Ptd. in Hungarian.

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97. FIRST CHURCH OF OGDENSBURG, 1933--. Railroad Avenue,
Boro of Ogdensburg, Warren County.

Although Presbyterian Church services had been held at Ogdensburg with greater or less regularity for fifty years or more, there had at no time been a fully constituted church organization. At present, Ogdensburg church affairs are governed by the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Sparta (entry 61) of which the Ogdensburg Church is simply a branch, organizing and incorporating as such in 1933.

With financial aid from the Committee of Church Extension, the present house of worship was erected in 1880, and dedicated in 1882, on the site given by Mr. John George in 1879.

The church is a plain frame structure with a steeple, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement.

Since 1933, pastors have been supplied by the Sparta Presbyterian Church.

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New York, Williams Printing Company, 1887, pp. 66, 67.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Warren County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. D, p. 398; Deeds, vol. 7, p. 256; vol. 345, p. 513.

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98. PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK, 1824--. Dr. Joseph Hunter, Stated Clerk, 46 Beach Street, Bloomfield, Essex County.

The Synod of New Jersey in session at Morristown, in 1824, formed the Presbyteries of Newark and Elizabeth Town from the old Presbytery of Jersey. The Presbytery of Newark met in its first organization meeting at Jersey City on November 2, 1824. Rev. Asa A. Hillyer, D. D., of Orange was the first Moderator, and Rev. Gideon N. Judd of Bloomfield was the first Stated Clerk.

At the reunion of the branches of the Presbyterian Church, in 1870, the presbyteries were reorganized. The reorganization of the Presbytery of Newark occurred on June 30, 1870, in Newark. The first Moderator of the reorganized Presbytery was Rev. Elijah R. Craven, D. D.; and Rev. Prentis de Veuve, the Stated Clerk.

The Presbytery schedules five stated meetings for the calendar year. As is the case with other Presbyteries, it is incorporated, its financial interests served by a board of trustees. The Committee of Presbyterian Church Extension, its program identified with that of the Board of National Missions through the Synod, is also incorporated.

The Presbytery's General Council, cooperating with the General Council of Synod and General Assembly, promotes efficiency of organization and program of Presbytery, and audits all accounts.

Other presbyterial standing committees are: National Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Ministerial Relief, Evangelism, Promotion, Examination, Welfare and Community Service, and Vacant Churches.

Presbytery Records, 1824--., 14 vols., 1824-1904, 9 vols., in custody of Fidelity Union Trust Company, Newark; 1904--., 5 vols., in custody of Dr. Joseph Hunter, Bloomfield College and Seminary.

99. FIRST CHURCH, 1719--. 820 Broad Street, Newark, Essex County.

The early history of this church reverts to the year 1644, at which time it organized as a Congregational Church in Branford, Connecticut. The following history which is quoted from "The First Church of Newark" by Jonathan F. Stearns, adequately covers the growth of this church.

"It was the good fortune of this community (Newark), to have become a church almost as soon as it became a settlement. The settlers were perfectly homogeneous, both in the beginning and for many years afterwards, and were banded together before they came, for the support of religious institutions. Indeed, the old church in Branford organized there

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twenty years earlier, was probably transported bodily, with all its corporate privileges and authorities. It is true that several of its members were left behind, but they no longer claimed to be a church; and hence there was no church in Branford after the removal, until a new one was organized there several years subsequent. This church may, therefore, be regarded as having had two beginnings; the first in Branford, in the year 1644, which is its proper organic origin; and the second, when it became fairly removed to Newark in 1666, as the First Church of Newark".

It was incorporated in 1753. The first movement toward the erection of a house of worship was made in 1668, when it was voted to build a meeting house, and a frame church was erected in 1669, or 1670. During the period of construction, the congregation worshiped in private homes. The second church was erected some time between 1714, and 1716. It was a stone structure and was considered the most elegant church for public worship at the time of the colony. This house stood on the west side of Broad Street, a little to the north of the spot occupied by the earlier church, and was converted into a Court House after the year 1791. The present site was purchased in 1790, and the present edifice was erected and dedicated in 1791. From its beginning in 1667, to 1719, the church belonged to the Congregational or Independent Order. Since 1719, it has been Presbyterian. On November 14, 1809, the Presbytery of Jersey was formed from a part of the Presbytery of New York and this church was included under the new body. The Second Presbyterian Church of Newark (entry 102) was organized October 9, 1810, and 2/7 of the real estate of the "Old First" excepting the church and the land about it was granted to the new enterprise.

The first Sunday School in Newark was started by Miss Anna Richards, a daughter of the pastor, in 1814. From 1883 to 1909, Newark grew greatly in population and the First Church took a prominent part in the development of the church extension work, giving liberally and establishing missions. In 1912, the church was extensively renovated.

The church is a brown sandstone structure of Gothic architecture with cathedral windows, a tall pointed steeple, with a large clock and bell. Sunday School classes are held in the chapel adjoining the church.

Rev. Joseph Webb, a graduate of Yale, served this church from 1719 to 1736. Rev. William Hiram Foulkes, the present pastor resides at 583 Mt. Prospect Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. C 2, p. 216; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. R3, p. 250; vol. N 6, p. 428; vol. R 7, p. 77.

100. FIRST CHURCH, 1779--. Westfield and Bloomfield Avenues,
Caldwell, Essex County.

In the year 1779, a small body of people led by a Mr. Thomas Gould, known as the Presbyterian Congregation of Horseneck, met in a second story room of a schoolhouse and received a deed of about ninety and a half acres of wild land. The donors were Mr. Caleb Hetfield of Westville and the two great grandsons of Mr. Jasper Crane, William and Noah, then residing in Cranetown, which is now Montclair. At a meeting held February 27, 1782, it was decided to build a church upon the acquired site. On account of financial difficulties the church was not completed until the year 1785.

In October of the same year, ten months after its organization, the church decided to affiliate with the Congregational denomination. The congregation carried on under this form of government for sixty-six years until April 25, 1831, when it again became Presbyterian. At about the time of the church organization, a parish house was erected on the original grant of land. In 1779, the church purchased fifty-two acres more. The first manse was erected in 1786, and was known as the Beach House until it burned down. On January 28, 1789, the congregation caused a Village Library to be opened. The old church building was torn down and the present church erected and dedicated in 1801, on property acquired two years before. In 1811, the second manse was built opposite the church.

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In the spring of 1832, a new manse was built on the same plot. The entire church was remodeled and repaired in 1839.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, belfry, memorial and cathedral windows.

Rev. James Caldwell, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, served this church intermittently from 1770 to 1773. The present pastor is the Rev. George Le Roy Willetts, 55 Forest Avenue. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Parish House on Railroad Avenue.

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Record of deeds: Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. A 20, p. 125; vol. E 20, p. 125; vol. A 23, p. 291; vol. B 13, p. 434; vol. Q 25, p. 273; vol. H 27, p. 235; vol. Q24, pp. 465-468; vol. O 40, p. 549; vol. W 51, p. 167; vol. N 53, p. 45; vol. H 57, p. 254.

101. FIRST CHURCH, 1796--. Beach and Church Streets, Bloomfield, Essex County.

The first religious services which gave birth to this church were held in the spring of 1794, in the old Davis house on Franklin Street. In July of that year, application was made to the Presbytery of New York in a petition signed by ninety-eight heads of families, for the organization of a distinct congregation. This was granted under the name of the Third Presbyterian Congregation in the Township of Newark.

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On August 9, 1796, a meeting was held in the home of Mr. Joseph Davis, at which it was decided to incorporate as a religious society under the laws of the State of New Jersey. At another meeting on October 13th, the new society assumed the name of "Bloomfield" in honor of Major General Bloomfield, who had distinguished himself in the Revolutionary War and later was made Governor of New Jersey. The legal name of the church continues to be The Presbyterian Society of Bloomfield. The town, which came into existence sixteen years later, took its name from that of the church.

On October 27, of the same year, the subscription list for the erection of the church was begun. On the same date, Mr. Joseph Davis and his wife conveyed to the trustees the land on which the church stands. The corner stone was laid on May 18, 1797, but it was not until the year 1799, that services were held in the church. A Parish House was erected in 1840, and a Sunday School was erected in 1925, both on church owned property. This church is one of the oldest offsprings of the First Church of Newark (entry 99).

The first manse on Broad Street and Park Place was built in 1840, and sold in 1927. The present manse site at 67 Park Place was purchased in 1927, and the building erected the same year.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower with clock, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Sunday School building and Parish House.

Rev. Avel Jackson was the first pastor, serving this church from 1800 to 1810. The present pastor is Rev. A. G. Sinclair, 67 Park Place.

Session Records, 1794--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry C. Hopper, Clerk, 65 Baldwin Street. Trustee Records, 1794--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry H. Doling, Secretary, 204 Midland Avenue, Glen Ridge. Sunday School Records, 1794--, 6 vols., in custody of Mrs. John C. Kent, Secretary, 38 Haynes Drive. Woman's Guild Records, 1794--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Catherine M. Gerinell, Secretary, 88 Mancee Place. Financial Records, 1796--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Louis Abel, Treasurer, 13 Lorraine Avenue, Glen Ridge.

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102. SECOND CHURCH, 1810--. 28 Washington Street, Newark, Essex County.

As early as 1800, members of the First Church (entry 99), residing in the north end of Newark felt the need of a church in their locality. In the spring of 1809, a resolution was passed resolving "that from the First Church congregation, a separate and distinct congregation shall be organized and measures taken to invest it with all the powers and privileges of a body politic, and upon the calling of a settled minister, the First Church congregation would convey to it the reserve only of their own house of worship and the land occupied by it, two sevenths of their entire real estate, for the support of the Gospel". This was approved by the First Church, although the title to the property was not conveyed until 1827. A corner stone for a house of worship was laid at the present site on June 18, 1810.

During the construction of the house of worship, a replica of the First Church, services were conducted in the sponsoring church. The building was erected, dedicated, and incorporated in 1811. During construction of the second house of worship, a greystone structure of Romanesque architecture, which was erected in 1886, services were conducted in the Community House on James Street. The church was destroyed by fire in 1930, and services were resumed in the Community House.

The present church erected and dedicated in 1932, is a granite structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in Hunter Hall adjoining the church, erected in 1929.

Rev. Hooper Cumming, a graduate of Princeton College, and Andover Theological Seminary, served this church from 1811 to 1815. The present pastor is Rev. Lester H. Clee, 294 Mt Prospect Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 86; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. L, p. 83.

103. THIRD CHURCH, 1824--. 395 Ridge Street, Newark, Essex County.

The organization of this church was caused by a difference of opinions respecting two candidates for the vacant pulpit of the First Church (entry 99). The organizers of the Third Presbyterian Church favored the naming of Rev. Joshua T. Russell, and when their suggestion went unheeded, they withdrew and established the Third Church.

Early meetings were held in private residences and in that of the first pastor. Between 1824, when the congregation incorporated, and 1825, 241 persons joined the new group. Many of these men and women were members of the First and Second Churches (entries 99, 102). The first church was erected in 1825, and was located on property given to the First Church at 907-915 Broad Street. This location served the congregation until 1914, at which time the present building was completed and dedicated on the present site, which was purchased in 1912.

The manse at 393 Ridge Street was built at the same time as the church and located on property adjoining the church.

The church is a stone and brick structure featuring the Ramanesque style of architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the auditorium.

Rev. Joshua T. Russell served this congregation from 1824 to 1829. The present pastor is Rev. Edward A. Mohus, who resides in the manse adjoining the church.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. A, p. 167; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. B 2, p. 441; vol. 250, p. 435.

104.. FOURTH CHURCH, 1831-1846. Extinct. 129 Washington Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church was organized in 1831, as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 99), and held its first meetings in the sessions room of that church. The following year the meetings were held at Washington and Academy Streets. A site at 247 Broad Street was purchased, and a church was erected. This property was sold, a new site at 129 Washington Street obtained, and a church built during 1841. The congregation continued to worship at this location until 1846, when the church dissolved, many of its members joining the Central Presbyterian Church (entry 107).

Rev. Mr. Weeks was the first pastor beginning his service in 1832.

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No records have been located.

105. THIRTEENTH AVENUE CHURCH, 1831-- . 13th Avenue at Bosten Street, Newark, Essex County.

As was the custom with the introduction of slaves in Newark and the surrounding area, freedom of worship of the slaves was premitted in the established churches. The Negro group grew to such proportions that they presented a membership problem to the Old First Church (entry 99). The Negroes themselves had begun to realize their large membership in the Old First Church without benefit of active participation in church government and by 1831, a definite movement had begun on the part of the Negro congregation to worship by themselves. After leaving the parent church they organized as a mission of it, conducting their services in residences of members. In 1836, they erected a chapel on Plane Street and incorporated as the Plane Street Presbyterian Church. This site was donated by the Honorable Theodore Frelinghuysen, former U. S. Senator. In 1852, a brick structure was erected adjacent to the chapel, and the congregation worshiped here until 1910. In 1921, they reincorporated and their name was changed

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to its present title. The manse, at 109 Thirteenth Avenue was purchased in 1922.

The church is a stone and brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower, steeple, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. H. Thomas Hunt served this church from 1839 to 1842. The present pastor is Rev. Lawrence Ellerson, who resides at 109 Thirteenth Avenue.

Powell, Van Buren, Hundredth Anniversary of the Thirteenth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Newark, John S. Stout, 1935. 16 pp.

Session Records, 1836--, 11 vols., in custody of Dr. Clarence O. Hilton, Clerk, 676 South Seventh Street. Trustee Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Jay Montieth Staats, Secretary, 135 Bank Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1924--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Henry C. Davidson, Superintendent-Secretary, 74 Wilsey Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Lawrence Ellerson, Secretary, 109 Thirteenth Avenue. Financial Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Early H. Wills, Treasurer, 83 Newton Street.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office. Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 84; vol. 1, p. 360; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. X 4, pp. 3-4; vol. Q 47, p. 38; vol. E 67, p. 210.

106. FIRST FREE CHURCH, 1833-1840. Extinct. 15 Clinton Street, corner of Beaver Street, Newark, Essex County.

Prominent Presbyterians, concerned over those who were financially unable to attend services at the First Church (entry 99), organized the First Free Church in 1833, with the services being conducted in the residence of Dr. I. N. Ward, at Broad Street north of Clinton Street. They removed to a frame church at 16 Clinton Street in 1834, which they abandoned in 1836 for a newly erected home across the street. They incorporated in 1835, and served affiliation with the Presbytery of Newark in 1840, at which time they affiliated with the Congregational denomination.

Rev. Peter Kanouse served this church from 1835 to 1837.

Pierson, David Lawrence, Narratives of Newark. Pierson Publishing Company.

Shaw, William H., History of Essex and Hudson Counties.

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missions. Many historians in their histories of churches, cling tenaciously to the statement that a particular church was organized here, but the truth is that many churches of like denomination began here as missions.

Rev. John Federick Maschop served this church from 1847 to 1848.

110. PARK CHURCH, 1848--. 15 Kearny Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church is an offspring of the Old First Church (entry 99), due to the resignation of Rev. Anseel D. Eddy in 1848. It was known as the Fifth Presbyterian Church from 1848 to 1850, when the name was changed to the Park Presbyterian Church with the consent of the Presbytery. This group held its first meetings in Tiffany Hall. A site on West Park Street near Broad was purchased from Mr. Enoch Balles and a church was erected. The Congregation continued to worship here until 1872, when they sold this site and purchased a new plot from the New York Life Insurance Company, and erected a chapel the same year. In 1874, a new church was erected and dedicated on the same site. Services were held here until 1885, when the present church was erected and dedicated.

The church is a brownstone structure of Tudor Gothic architecture, with a belfry, memorial and cathedral windows.

Rev. Anseel D. Eddy served this church from 1848 to 1885. At present there is no resident pastor. Sunday School classes are held in the church.

Frenck, J. Clement, Park Presbyterian Church, 1848-98. Newark, Park Presbyterian Church, 1898, 12 pp.

Session Records, 1848--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. William Barr, Clerk, 312 Summer Avenue. Trustee Records, 1848--, 18 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Ralph Duyne, Secretary, 15 Kearny Street. Register of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1848--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Barr, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1848--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. John L. Tunis, Secretary, 303 Woodland Avenue. Women's Association Records, 1870--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Bruce Moane, Secretary, 733 Mt. Prospect Avenue, in church safe. Financial Records, 1848--, 18 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Ralph Duyne, President, Board of Trustees.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 173; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. D 7, p. 94; vol. D 7, p. 98; vol. P 16, p. 350; vol. R 23, p. 19; vol. I 34, p. 375; vol. W 58, p. 375; vol. R 68, p. 285.

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William J. Benton, Secretary. Bible Class Records, 1837--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George F. Lingeran, Secretary, 13 Undercliff Road, Millburn. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1900--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Daniel J. Brown, Secretary, 683 Bergen Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. C, p. 128; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. O 7, p. 227; vol. T 30, p. 86; vol. P 54, p. 19.

108. FIRST CHURCH, 1837-1913. Merged. Bloomfield Avenue and Church Street, Montclair, Essex County.

This church was organized by members of the First Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield (entry 101). Preliminary services were held in private homes from 1837 to 1838. In 1837, a stone schoolhouse on Bloomfield Avenue was purchased and enlarged. The congregation worshiped here from 1838 to 1856. During this time the church was known as The Presbyterian Church of West Bloomfield. In 1856, the trustees purchased property and the present church was erected and dedicated. The church was reincorporated in 1892, and the name changed to The Presbyterian Society of Montclair. This congregation merged with the Trinity Presbyterian Church (entry 130) of Montclair in 1913; together these merged congregations adopted the name Central Church (entry 151).

The manse located on Bloomfield Avenue was erected in 1856, on land donated by Mr. Nathaniel H. Baldwin.

Rev. Samuel Ware Fisher served this church from 1839 to 1843.

Folsom, Joseph Fulford, Municipalities of Essex County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1925, II, 631.

All records are now in custody of Mrs. Lorraine E. Smith, Church Secretary, Central Church of Montclair (entry 151).

Record of incorporations and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 102; vol. 1, p. 85; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. C 29, p. 112; vol. D 34, p. 130.

109. FIRST GERMAN CHURCH, 1847-1850, Extinct. 28 Mechanic Street, Newark, Essex County.

This congregation met from 1847 to 1850, at 28 Mechanic Street (now Edison Place). This appears to have been the resting place of many

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Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1884.

Stearns, Jonathan French, Stearn's Historical Discourses.
Newark, First Presbyterian Church, 1853.

See forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of New Jersey:
Congregational-Christian

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office,
Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 71; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol.
W 3, p. 116.

107. CENTRAL CHURCH, 1837--., 365 Clinton Avenue, Newark, Essex
County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1837. Preliminary meetings were conducted at 80 Market Street, where a frame building was dedicated in 1838. Services continued here until 1851, when a site was purchased on the East side of Washington Street, near Market Street, from Mr. Nehemiah Perry, and a substantial church was erected. In 1892, this site was sold and services were held in a store on Ridgewood Avenue, until 1896, at which time the present site was purchased, and a Sunday School erected the same year. The congregation continued to worship here until the present church was completed in 1906.

The church is a stone structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a small tower above the main entrance, a larger tower located at the right side, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room in the church.

Rev. Charles Hoover, a graduate of Bethany College, and Yale Theological School, served this church from 1837 to 1840. The present pastor is Rev. John H. P. Strome who resides in the manse at 367 Clinton Avenue, which was erected in 1897.

Findley, William T., Forty Years Retrospect. Newark, Martin R. Davis & Company, 1877. 32 pp.

Folsom, Joseph B., Municipalities of Essex County, New York City, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1925, p. 187.

Session Records, 1837--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Joseph Hauber, President, 65 West Alpine Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1896--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William J. Benton, Secretary, 111 Tuscan Road, Maplewood. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1837--., 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1895--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr.

- 111.. SECOND GERMAN CHURCH, 1848-1850. Extinct. 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ Mulberry Street, Newark, Essex County.

This group met in 1848, at 320 Broad Street. This appears to have been a mission chapel from which many churches went forth. From 1849 to 1850, they met at 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ Mulberry Street. It seems that after a valiant effort to secure a firm footing, this congregation gave up and the members apparently turned to other churches. No records are extant. This was the first of several churches to adopt this name.

112. SIXTH CHURCH, 1848--. 117 Union Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church was planned and incorporated at meetings held in 1848, at the First Church (entry 99). In 1849, a site at 74-76 Union Street was purchased and a frame church erected. In 1890, the site at 117 Union Street was purchased and the present church erected. The church was dedicated in 1891. The manse at 55 Nairn Place was built in 1920.

The church is a brownstone structure of Tudor Gothic architecture, with a tower, two steeples, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. William Aikman was the first pastor, serving from 1849 to 1857. The present pastor is Rev. Charles Frank Bazata, 55 Nairn Place.

Bazata, Charles F., Eighty-fifth Anniversary. Newark, Sixth Presbyterian Church, 1933. 6 pp.

Session Records, 1848--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1848--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Theodore Stauber, Secretary, 20 Jacoby Street, Maplewood. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1848--, 2 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1848--, 2 vols., in custody of the Pastor. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1899--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Louise Schweitzer, Secretary, 339 Fabian Place. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1848--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Harry Eberhardt, Secretary, 34 Hempstead Park.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 178; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. C 7, p. 505; vol. K 24, pp. 391-393; vol. N 24, p. 161; vol. E 25, p. 464; vol. V 25, p. 168.

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113. ELIZABETH AVENUE CHURCH, 1849--. 761 Elizabeth Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

A group of persons receiving religious instructions from Rev. Holloway W. Hunt desired to organize a Presbyterian Church, early in the year 1849. They met in the stone schoolhouse of Clinton Township for that purpose, and here 21 persons brought letters of dismission and recommendation from the following churches: First and Second of Elizabeth-town (entries 307 , 317), and Third Church of Newark (entry 103). In 1849, they incorporated and adopted the name of the First Presbyterian Church of Lyons Farms.

Their first site was purchased and a building erected the same year. Services were held here until 1900, when the present site was acquired and the present church erected and dedicated. In 1903, the name of the church was changed to its present title. This was necessitated by the inclusion within the city limits of the section in which the church was located.

The church is a brown shingle structure of Gothic architecture, with steeple, belfry, and cathedral windows. The manse site at 92 Chancellor Avenue was donated by Dr. William R. Ward, and the house was erected in 1912. In 1924, a social hall of white brick was erected on the left side of the church where Sunday School classes are now conducted.

Rev. William J. Garthwaite served this church from 1850 to 1852. The present pastor is Rev. Arthur Northwood, 92 Chancellor Avenue.

Session Records, 1849--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. W. F. Tunison, Clerk, 217 Dorer Avenue, Hillside. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1849--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1849--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Armour Heath, Custodian, 257 Roseville Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1888--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Leon Ross, Secretary, 45 Coe Avenue, Hillside. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1890--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Anne Worthwood, Secretary, 92 Chancellor Avenue.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 71; vol. 1, p. 344; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 6, p. 401; vol. K 72, p. 178.

114. HIGH STREET CHURCH, 1849--. 586 High Street, Newark, Essex County.

The leader of the group who made this church possible was Mrs. Martha Dickerson, a member of the Old First Church, Newark (entry 99). Preliminary meetings were held in private residences during 1841 and

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1842, They moved in 1843, to the second floor of a store at 22 Mercer Street, and continued here until 1848, when a site was purchased at 13 Mercer Street and a frame chapel was erected. This group organized as a mission of the Old First Church of Newark in 1849. With the increase in membership, the congregation became self-sustaining and purchased their present site in 1850. They erected the present church in the same year and dedicated the building in 1852. A large addition was built in 1890. Due to a steady decrease in membership, the church was compelled to close in 1926. The congregation then attended the First Church until 1934, when conditions improved and they were able to reopen their former church.

The manse located at 584 High Street was built in 1872. At present the manse is being used as a recreation hall for social events.

This church is a greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, four steeples, and cathedral memorial windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Parish House, adjoining the church which was erected in 1890.

Rev. Daniel W. Poor served this church from 1849 to 1869. The present pastor is Rev. William Tucker, 820 Broad Street, assistant to Rev. William Hiram Foulkes, pastor of the First Church of Newark.

Lampman, Lewis, High Street Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J. 1849-1899. Newark, Baker Printing Company, 1899. 38 pp.

Session Records, 1849--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records, 1852--, 3 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1852--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Gwendolyn Johnston, Secretary, 820 Broad Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1905--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Marie Knapp, Secretary, 584 High Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1865--, 9 vols., in custody of Mr. Samuel Scholls, Secretary, 198 Broad Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1898--, 3 vols.; Financial Records, 1852--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Gwendolyn Johnston, Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 193; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. G 7, pp. 465-467.

115. SOUTH PARK CHURCH, 1851--, 1035 Broad Street, Newark, Essex County.

Noises and disturbances on the Sabbath by children of the community led to the founding of a Mission School from which the above church was organized in 1851. Early meetings were held in a railroad

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depot at Chestnut Street. In 1852, a site was purchased at 390 Mulberry Street and a chapel was erected. In 1853, with the aid of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 99) the present site was purchased and the church was partially erected, but not completed and dedicated until 1855. In 1859, the Tenth Presbyterian Chapel (entry 117) merged with the South Park Church; in 1921, the South Park Memorial Chapel (entry 140) merged with the South Park Church.

The Parish House was erected in 1871, in the rear of the church property. In 1922, a Community House was erected on the same lot; and in 1926, the manse was erected at 70 Maplewood Avenue, Maplewood.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with two steeples, a bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the lecture room in the church.

Rev. James Patrick Wilson, served this church from 1853 to 1869. The present pastor is Rev. C. Ransom Comfort, Jr., 70 Maplewood Avenue, Maplewood.

Denman, Arthur R., Fiftieth Anniversary. Newark, Baker Printing Company, 1901. 4 pp.

Denman, Arthur R., Seventy-fifth Anniversary. Newark, Baker Printing Company, 1925. 4 pp.

Jackson, John P., Record of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of South Park Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J. Newark, Amzi Pierson and Company, 1879. 122 pp.

Session Records, 1853--., 6 vols., in custody of Miss Content Smith, Secretary, 114 Arlington Avenue, East Orange. Trustee Records, 1877--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Douglas Colyer, Secretary, 30 Harvard Avenue, East Orange. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1936--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1877--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Chilton Mc Pheeters, Secretary, 730 High Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1880--., 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Raymond Serais, Secretary, 18 Warren Court. Financial Records, 1854--., 85 vols., in custody of Mr. C. Edwin Young, Treasurer, 124 Fairmont Avenue, Chatham.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 243; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. I 8, p. 54; vol. R 9, p. 287; vol. V 10, p. 26.

116. ROSEVILLE CHURCH, 1852--., 36 Roseville Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1852. Early meetings were held on the northeast corner of Orange and North Seventh Streets. In 1854, the first site was donated by Mr. Aaron Peck, and a frame church and parish house was built. An adjoining lot was donated by Mr. Cyrus Peck in 1866, and the present church was erected. This church sponsored the Fifth Avenue Chapel which later organized as the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 131).

The church is a red brick and brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with steeple, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the parish house.

Rev. John F. Pingry served this church from 1854 to 1860. The present pastor is Rev. Walter L. Whallon, who resides in the manse located at 30 Roseville Avenue which was erected in 1913, on the original grant.

Roseville Presbyterian Church, Eighty-fifth Anniversary, 1853-1936. Newark, Roseville Presbyterian Church, 1938.
12 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1853--, 9 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Benjamin, Clerk, 744 Broad Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1853--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1853--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Lydia Sharrock, Secretary, 130 North Fifth Street. Financial Records, 1853--, 8 vols., in custody of Mr. Oakley Dickerson, Treasurer, 81 North Sixth Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 267; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. W 8, p. 51; vol. S 12, p. 554.

117. TENTH CHAPEL, 1853-1859. Merged. Ferry Street corner of Plank Road, Newark, Essex County.

A group met as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 99) in a building on the corner of Ferry Street and Plank Road, owned by the First Church from 1853 to 1858. After the latter date meetings were held in a chapel on the corner of Ferry and South Market Streets, until 1859, when they merged with the South Park Church (entry 115) and the meetings in the chapel were discontinued.

All records of this mission are incorporated with those of the First Church (entry 99).

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118. THIRD GERMAN CHURCH, 1860-1861. Extinct. 127 Marshall Street, Newark, Essex County.

Services were held from 1860 to 1861, at 127 Marshall Street. The reason for the dissolution of this church is unknown.

119. WOLFF MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1863--. 102 Wilson Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

This church was organized as the Third German Presbyterian Church of Newark on March 30, 1863. A committee of the Presbytery presided at this meeting, which was held in the Sixth Presbyterian Church (entry 112). On May 6, 1863, the church was received into the Presbytery of Newark. In September of the same year, with the assistance of the Presbytery, a suitable piece of property located at the corner of Ferry and Madison Streets was purchased. A chapel, given by the Second Church (entry 102), was erected and dedicated. As the congregation now had its own building, a Sunday School was organized with a membership of thirty scholars. The congregation grew and soon it was possible to buy two additional building lots for the purpose of erecting a manse and a Sunday School building.

The neighborhood had changed because of the removal of a large part of the congregation and it became necessary to relocate in order that the church might be more central among the German residents. The present site on the corner of Wilson Avenue and Ann Street was purchased in 1882. On July 5, 1883, the corner stone was laid; and on November 4, 1883, the completed church was dedicated to the service of God. In 1884, the manse at 100 Wilson Avenue was built. In 1890, the first story of the Sunday School was erected; and in 1895, the second story was added. Since the use of English is more in demand by this generation, and the First and Second German Presbyterian Churches are extinct, the congregation decided at its annual meeting on January 28, 1936, to change its name to "Wolff Memorial Presbyterian Church at Newark, N. J.", in honor of Dr. Julius H. Wolff, who for 43 years was its pastor. The change of name was granted by the Presbytery of Newark and was duly incorporated. A suitable service of rededication was held on March 29, 1936.

The church is a brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. George C. Seibert, a former professor at the Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1863 to 1872. The present pastor is Rev. C. Hans Evans, who resides in rented quarters at 110 Ninth Avenue, Belmar. The manse located at 102 Wilson Avenue is rented to a private family.

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Hack, Charles T., Sixtieth Anniversary of Third German Presbyterian Church. Newark, Third German Presbyterian Church, 1923. 8 pp.

Stadelmann, J. Karl, Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Wolff, Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1938. Newark, Wolff Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1938. 16 pp.

Wolff, Julius H., Fiftieth Anniversary of the Third German Presbyterian Church. Newark, Third German Presbyterian Church, 1913. 8 pp.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1863--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1863--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Leo Wolff, Clerk, 22 Norwood Place, East Orange. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1863--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1863--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Bertha Kleiser, Secretary, 81 Lang Street. Christian Helper's Society Records, 1901--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Caroline Conrad, Secretary, 29 Napoleon Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1874--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Hugo Becker, Secretary, 133 Fleming Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1870--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Catherine Merkle, Secretary, 550 Madison Avenue, Carlstadt.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. C, p. 181; Religious Corporations, vol. 3, p. 288; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. P 13, p. 200; vol. W 13, p. 23-25; vol. Q 21, p. 338; vol. Y 21, p. 120; vol. Z 21, p. 388.

120. BETHANY CHURCH, 1864-1905. Extinct. Spruce & Charlton Streets, Newark, Essex County.

Organized as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Newark (entry 99) in 1864. Early meetings were held in private homes until a site was purchased at Spruce and Charlton Streets, and the church erected in 1864. In 1873, the second church was erected on adjoining property purchased at the time of the acquisition of the first site. In 1878, the church was destroyed by fire and a third structure was erected on the original site.

In 1919, this church was dissolved and the property was reconveyed to the First Presbyterian Church in Newark. The First Church was responsible for securing aid from the Presbytery in behalf of the Bethany Church and was always a staunch and liberal supporter of the Bethany Church.

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Rev. John Lester Wells, a graduate of Marietta College, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church, from 1874 to 1891.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. F, p. 168; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. F, p. 168.

121. CALVARY CHURCH, 1865--. 80 Pennsylvania Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

Through the efforts of Miss Adelaide Burnet, a member of the Third Presbyterian Church of Newark (entry 103), a group assembled in a rented room of a building at 419 Washington Street for religious instruction and organized this church. Services were conducted here from 1865 to 1868, at which time the present site on Pennsylvania Avenue was purchased and a chapel was erected. Continued growth of the congregation led to the erection of the present church in 1884, on property conveyed to the trustees of Calvary Church by Jacob D. Vermileje. It was dedicated in 1885.

The church is a brown granite structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church and in the chapel.

Rev. Walter Condit, a graduate of Williams College: United Theological Seminary, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1868 to 1872. The present pastor is Rev. George A. McAllister, who resides at 49 Milford Avenue.

Findley, William T., Forty Years Retrospect. Newark, Martin R. Davis and Company, 1877. 32 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee and Financial Records), 1867--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert I. Anschultz, Clerk, 63 Chadwick Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1867--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Daniel Sprawl, Secretary, 86 Wright Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office Miscellaneous, vol. V, p. 375; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 13, p. 507.

122. FOREST HILL CHURCH, 1867--. 101 Heller Parkway, Newark, Essex County.

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Preliminary meetings were held from 1867 to 1869, in the home of Col. Charles E. Haines on Washington Avenue (now Broadway). In 1868, the congregation purchased a site on Carteret Street and Lincoln Avenue and erected a church, where worship continued until 1892, when the site was sold. During this time they were known as the Woodside Presbyterian Church. The present site of eight lots at 603 Highland Avenue was donated in 1892, by Mr. Elias Heller and a church house erected. At this time the name of the church was changed to the Forest Hill Presbyterian Church. Services were held here until 1912, when the present church adjoining the church house was erected, and dedicated in 1913. Repairs and alterations were made in 1937.

The manse at 106 Heller Parkway was purchased in 1920. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church house.

The church is a granite structure of Gothic architecture, with memorial and cathedral windows.

Rev. Clarence R. Eddy, a graduate of Williams College, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1869 to 1875. The present pastor, Rev. Paul Hickok was called in 1928. He resides at 106 Heller Parkway.

Session Records, 1867--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. Percy R. Neussel, Clerk, 204 Springfield Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1867--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Staines, Secretary, 294 Grafton Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1867--, 7 vols., in custody of Mrs. Phoebe Woolson, Secretary, 760 Broad Street. Sunday School Records, 1867--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Everett Parsons, Secretary, 245 High Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1867--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Mabel Skyes, Secretary, 304 Verona Avenue. Women's Guild Records, 1867--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Arthur A. West, Secretary, 668 Parker Avenue. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1867--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Walter Berndt, Secretary, 203 Montclair Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. D, p. 1; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. G 44, p. 183.

123. BROUGHTON CHURCH, 1868--, Broughton and Bay Avenues, Bloomfield, Essex County.

Organized as a Sunday School under the leadership of Mr. Nason B. Collins, a blacksmith-preacher, who conducted services in the open and in residences of members in 1868. He was assisted by clergymen from Newark and the vicinity at intervals. Services were conducted in this

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manner until 1870, at which time, through financial support from the First Church of Bloomfield (entry 101) and Westminster Church of Bloomfield (entry 124), a site on Hoover (then Franklin) and Passaic Avenues was purchased. A house of worship named Hope Chapel was erected in 1871. Meetings were conducted here until 1898, at which time Westminster Church withdrew, and left the First Church in charge. The chapel was sold to St. Valentine's Roman Catholic Church in 1898. During construction of the present church, which was erected and dedicated in 1899, services were conducted in residences. The First Church continued its support until 1932, at which time the congregation was considered self-sustaining and incorporated as Broughton Church.

The church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture with a belfry, memorial bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Clarence E. Boyer, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, served this church from 1929 to 1937. The present pastor is Rev. Charles W. Dane. The manse at 58 Bay Avenue is rented by the pastor.

Dane, Charles W., Souvenir and Directory of Broughton Presbyterian Church, 1938, Anniversary Number. Bloomfield, The Independent Press, 1938. 12 pp.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, and Members), 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Maybelle Homes, Clerk, 99 James Street. Trustee Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Emerson Ackerson, Clerk, 185 Baldwin Street. Record of Marriages, and Deaths, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1928--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Maybelle Homes, Secretary. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ann Pemberthy, Secretary, 39 Union Place. Financial Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William H. Redfearn, Treasurer, 450 Broughton Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. D 1, p. 407; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. N 15, p. 119; A 32, p. 53; vol. S 32, p. 119; vol. Y 31, p. 527; vol. L 84, p. 548.

124. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1869--. 447 Franklin Street, Bloomfield, Essex County.

This church organization was started by a colony from the Old First Church (entry 99). They met from 1869 to 1870, in the Bloomfield Academy, and in the Euclain Hall on Bloomfield Avenue at Washington Street. In 1870, a site at Franklin Street was procured from Mr. William J. Omberson and wife, and a chapel was erected the same year.

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At that time they also purchased the adjoining lot from Mr. Joseph A. Davis and wife, but it was not until 1892, that they erected and dedicated the present church. On March 31, 1888, members were dismissed from this church and they formed the Glen Ridge Congregational Church. Jarvie Memorial Library was donated to this church by Mr. James Jarvie on September 18, 1902. It was given to the town of Bloomfield for a Free Public Library in 1923. Its volumes are part of the present catalogue of the Free Public Library of Bloomfield. Jubilee Hall (former Library) was altered and redecorated in 1924. It now houses the Sunday School.

The manse at 451 Franklin Street, is a memorial to Helen Jarvie. It was erected in 1918.

The church is a brownstone structure of Romanesque architecture, with a belfry and bell, surmounted by a steeple, and memorial windows.

Rev. Duncan Kennedy served this church from 1869 to 1881. The present pastor is Rev. James R. Speer, 451 Franklin Street.

Fiftieth Anniversary. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1870-1920. Bloomfield, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1920. 27 pp.

Paull, George A., Westminster Presbyterian Church. New York, Lamiersen Sherwood and Company, 1902. 27 pp.

Session Records, 1870--, 8 vols., in custody of Mr. Raymond S. Williams, Clerk, 18 Appleton Place, Glen Ridge. Trustee Records, 1870--, 11 vols., in custody of Mr. Edgar Thorburth, Secretary, 90 Evergreen Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1870--, 3 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1874--, 10 vols., in custody of the pastor. Financial Records, 1870--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. John A. Little, Treasurer, 90 Evergreen Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. D, p. 68; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. F 15, pp. 61-63; vol. Y 15, p. 379.

125. MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1876--. 316 South Orange Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

This church organized as a mission of the Roseville Presbyterian Church (entry 116) in 1876. Early meetings were held in a residence at 428 South 10th Street until 1881. In this year a frame chapel was erected at South 7th Street and South Orange Avenue. This site was donated by

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Miss Abbie Coe in 1880. The congregation incorporated in 1885. Services continued here until 1915, when the present church, adjoining the chapel was completed and dedicated. The manse located at 7 Colonial Terrace, Maplewood, was erected in 1929.

The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a turret tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Lucius Baldwin, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1876 to 1879. The present pastor is Rev. Orin C. Hopper, 7 Colonial Terrace, Maplewood.

Hopper, Orin C., Fiftieth Anniversary, 1881 to 1931. Newark, Schielett & Farrell, 1931. 40 pp.

Session Records, 1876--, 12 vols., in custody of Mr. Henry J. Eberhart, Clerk, 24 Homestead Place. Trustee Records, 1876--, 12 vols., in custody of Mr. Louis Miraglia, Secretary, 1102 Clinton Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1876--, 12 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1876--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ernest Schneider, Superintendent, 49 Divine Street, Irvington. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1883--, 11 vols., in custody of Mrs. George J. Wacker, Secretary, 202 Lenox Road, South Orange. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1890--, 10 vols., in custody of Mrs. Louis MacDougal, Secretary, 49 Maple Avenue, Maplewood. Financial Records, 1876--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Edwin O. Meek, Treasurer, 25 Alberta Road, Maplewood.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. G, p. 198; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Q 19, p. 178; vol. R 20, p. 603.

126. FIRST CHURCH, 1879--. Kearny and Laurel Avenues, Arlington, Hudson County.

At a meeting held in Library Hall in 1878, the formal organization of the church was effected. First services were held in the First Methodist Church on Kearny Avenue. In 1879, Mr. Edward P. Hatch donated a parcel of land at the corner of Midland and Kearny Avenues to Mr. James A. Bell, who in turn conveyed the same property to the First Presbyterian Society of Arlington. The first church was erected on this site, and was dedicated in 1880. Services were held here until 1914, when the property was sold and the present location was purchased from Mr. Henry G. Eilshemius. The second and present church was erected and dedicated in 1914. The manse located at 110 Washington Avenue was purchased from the Eilshemius Estate in 1903. The Session Hall adjoining the church was erected in 1920.

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The church is a buff colored brick structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Session Hall.

Rev. George Slater, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, New York City, served this church from 1882 to 1893. Rev. Wallace H. Carver is the present pastor and resides at 110 Washington Avenue.

Coombe, Edward M., Fiftieth Anniversary. Arlington, First Presbyterian Church, 1929. 12 pp.

Session Records, 1879-1921, 1937--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert S. Young, Secretary, 35 New Lawn Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Wallace H. Frazer, Secretary, 665 Belgrove Drive. Record of Baptisms, Admissions, Members, and Marriages, 1879-1919, 1937--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Robert A. Shaw, Secretary, 810 Devon Street. Record of Marriages, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. William Nydam, Superintendent, 697 Kearny Avenue, Kearny. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Arthur L. Robinson, Secretary, 117 Pleasant Place. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Louise Cooper, Secretary, 61 Buck Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Edward A. Miller, Secretary, 137 Morgan Place. Presbyterian Guild Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Helene Fellows, Secretary, 68 Johnson Avenue, Bloomfield. Westminster Society Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Murray Benford, Secretary, 81 Bennett Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 267; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 335, p. 483; vol. 853, p. 369; vol. 1154, pp. 123, 124.

127. KNOX CHURCH, 1879--. Kearny & Woodland Avenues, Kearny, Hudson County.

In the year 1860, a Sabbath School was organized in the home of Mrs. John Condit. This Sabbath class remained active a short time and then ceased. In 1872, Mr. Hallows W. Clouse and Miss Alice Morgan reorganized the Sabbath School and named it Kearny Union Sabbath School. Services were held in the public School, which was rented for the purpose until 1881. A meeting to organize a Presbyterian Church was held in 1879, and it led to the formation and incorporation of the Knox Presbyterian Church under the Jersey City Presbytery. Permission was requested for the transfer of this church to the Presbytery of Newark in 1880, and recognition was accorded in 1881.

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Mrs. Nancy Wade Halstead purchased the Old Kearny Town Hall and the Fire House at 32-34 Kearny Avenue in 1880, and donated the buildings and land to the congregation of Knox Church. A new front was added to the Town Hall and it was opened for services in 1881. The old fire house was renovated and converted into a manse. This site was used until 1891, at which time the present brick church was erected and dedicated. Mrs. Nancy Wade Halstead donated the land. The old church was renovated in 1891, and used as a Sabbath School and Session Hall. In 1924, the present manse, located at 641 Belgrove Drive, Arlington, was purchased from Mr. Richard W. Woods.

The church is a brick structure of modified Gothic architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral memorial windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Session Hall adjoining the church.

Rev. John Kirby Davis, a graduate of Union College and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1880 to 1882. The present pastor is Rev. John M. MacMillan, who resides at 641 Belgrove Drive.

Knox Presbyterian Church, Fiftieth Anniversary, 1881-1931,
Kearny, West Hudson Record Print Shop, 1931, pp. 4,5.

Session Records, 1881--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Kennedy, Clerk, 191 Highland Avenue. Trustee Minutes (include Financial Records), 1881--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Agnew, Secretary, 371 Elm Street, Arlington. Record of Baptisms, Admissions, Dismissals, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1881--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Olliver, Superintendent, 92 Berkley Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Agnes Booth, Secretary, 102 Johnson Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Thomas Duncan, Secretary, 231 Kearny Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Sloan, Secretary, 115 Ivy Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 274; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 368, pp 367,368; vol. 519, p. 126; vol. 521, p. 240; vol. 530, pp. 101 -106; vol. 536, p. 253; vol. 539, p. 158; vol. 551, p. 118; vol. 569, pp. 110 -112; vol. 546, p. 414.

128. FEWSMITH MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1884--. Union Avenue and Little Street, Belleville, Essex County.

This church began as a mission of the Second Presbyterian Church of Newark (entry 102). They met from 1884 to 1889, in a small frame building at 24 Jay Street. In 1889, land was acquired and a church was erected and dedicated the same year as a memorial to Rev.

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Joseph Fewsmith, pastor of the Second Church of Newark. This church disbanded in 1924, due to conditions and neighborhood changes. The church reorganized during the same year by Rev. Oscar Bell Close and services were conducted in the Masonic Temple on Joralemon Street, Belleville, until 1926. In 1925, the church incorporated, and the Presbytery of Newark financed the purchase of the present site. The present church was completed and dedicated in 1926.

Land at 19 Tiona Avenue was purchased and the manse was erected in 1925. Sunday School classes are conducted in rooms in the church.

The church is a brick and stuccoed structure of Gothic architecture, with a bell, memorial and cathedral windows.

Rev. Isaac H. Polhemus served this church from 1891 to 1894. The present pastor is Rev. Oscar Bell Close, 19 Tiona Avenue, who has served this church since 1924.

Close, Oscar Bell, Tenth Anniversary. Belleville, Fewsmith Memorial Church, 1934. 10 pp.

Folsom, Joseph Fulford, Municipalities of Essex County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1925, p. 319.

Session Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Andrew W. Bray, Clerk, 336 Joralemon Street. Trustee Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harry W. Taylor, Secretary, 336 Joralemon Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Andrew W. Bray, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry Estelle, Secretary, 76 Tappan Avenue. Women's Guild Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Joseph DiAngelo, Secretary, 23 Rossmore Place, Belleville. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Wayne Palmer, Secretary, 20 Tiona Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Beatrice Carey, Secretary, 54 Tiona Avenue. Financial Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Henry C. Naylor, Treasurer, 231 Joralemon Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 111; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 1, p. 87; vol. 5, p. 134.

129. PARK CHAPEL, 1886--, 192 Highland Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

Organized in 1886, as a mission of the Park Presbyterian Church (entry 110), preliminary meetings and services were conducted in

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private homes and in a rented store at 214 Bloomfield. In 1887, the present site was acquired from Mr. William D. Patterson, and the chapel was erected and dedicated. In 1890, an addition was made to the chapel for Sunday School purposes. On October 30, 1890, the Presbytery formally organized this mission as a church at which time it was incorporated. In 1902, Park Presbyterian Church assumed control and it reverted to its original status of mission.

The chapel is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Alfred Nicholson, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, served this chapel from 1887 to 1890. At the present time the chapel is served by supply ministers.

Fiftieth Anniversary, 1887-1937. Newark, Park Presbyterian Chapel, 1937. 12 pp.

Session Records (contain Trustee Records; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, and Financial Records), 1887--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Barr, Clerk, 192 Highland Avenue. Record of Members, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harold Brewster, Clerk, 159 Ampere Parkway, Bloomfield. Sunday School Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ernest Brewster, Secretary, 522 North Fourth Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Louise W. Noke, Secretary, 263 Lake Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A C 1, p. 51; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. R 23, p. 19.

130. TRINITY CHURCH, 1886-1913. Merged. Claremont and Midland Avenues, Montclair, Essex County.

The Presbytery of Newark granted members of the First Presbyterian Church of Montclair (entry 108) permission to form a new church. This group met from 1886 to 1887, in Montclair Hall. In 1886, land was acquired and a frame chapel was erected at the corner of Church Street and Valley Road. This chapel was moved to the present site in 1898, and a stone addition was made in the same year. This church merged with the First Church of Montclair in 1913, at which time the name Central Church was adopted (entry 151), and services continued here until 1922.

Rev. Orville Reed was the first pastor and served this church from 1888 to 1913.

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All records are in custody of Mrs. Lorraine E. Smith, Church Secretary, Central Church of Montclair (entry 151).

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 85; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. U 23, p. 330; vol. B 24, p. 373; vol. T 31, p. 165.

131. FIFTH AVENUE CHURCH, 1888--. Roseville and Park Avenues, Newark, Essex County.

This church had its origin in the Roseville Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 116). With the aid of the Standing Committee on National Missions, the present site was purchased from Bleeker Van Wagenen in 1888, and a chapel was erected and opened to the new congregation in 1889. The manse at 298 Park Avenue was built in 1910. In 1914, the Parish House was erected. Both sites were acquired through subscriptions of members.

The church is a greystone structure of Mission type of architecture, with a tower surmounted by a steeple, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted on the second floor of the Parish House.

Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1890 to 1896. The present pastor is Rev. Norman MacQueen, 298 Park Avenue.

MacCauley, Hugh B., Manual of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, Newark, New Jersey. Newark, L. J. Hardman, 1893. 29 pp.

Session Records, 1888--., 7 vols., in custody of Mrs. James Wood, Clerk, 152 North Ninth Street. Trustee Records, 1885--., 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1900--., 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. James Wood, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1889--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Ernest Dietze, Secretary, 180 North Ninth Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1925--., 2 vols., in custody of Miss Martha Nardt, Secretary, 63 Warrington Place, East Orange. Financial Records, 1888--., 7 vols., in custody of Mr. Stephen Trench, Treasurer, 117 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 38; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. D 25, p. 412; vol. S 32, p. 430.

132. SOUTH CHURCH, 1889--. Orange Road and High Street, Montclair, Essex County.

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This church began as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Montclair (entry 108) in 1889. From 1889 to 1892, this group met in the Cedar Avenue Public School. In 1892, a site on Cedar Avenue was donated by First Church and a frame chapel and manse were erected. The congregation incorporated in 1906, and was known as the Cedar Avenue Presbyterian Church until 1916, when the name was changed to its present title. The present site was purchased from the Central Presbyterian Church (entry 151) in 1915, and the present church was erected and dedicated the same year. The manse was moved from Cedar Avenue to its present site at 5 High Street.

The church is a white stuccoed structure of modified Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Thomas Morgan, a graduate of the Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1905 to 1913. The present pastor is Rev. Frank Lawson Sutterlein, 5 High Street.

Kirk C. Ogden, Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the South Church. Montclair, South Presbyterian Church, 1930. 88 pp.

Session Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Brua A. Hallenbeck, Clerk, 51 High Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles E. Lindberg, Secretary, 162 Maple Street, West Orange. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Brua A. Hallenbeck, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1889--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Elrick, Secretary, 23 Kirk Street, West Orange. Ladies' Auxiliary Records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Rogers Carson, Secretary, 163 Maple Street, West Orange. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1900--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Dorothy Redderoth, Secretary, 301 Orange Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 262; vol. 3, p. 155; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. S 56, p. 320; vol. Y 56, p. 158.

133. EMANUEL GERMAN CHURCH, 1890--, 236 Verona Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

Preliminary meetings were conducted in the Heller File Factory on Verona and Clifton Avenues from 1890 to 1896. The present site was donated in 1896, by the Heller family, when the present church was erected and the congregation incorporated. It was dedicated April 4, 1897. Sunday School rooms were added in 1904.

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The site for the manse at 238 Verona Avenue was donated by the Heller family in 1899, and the manse erected the same year.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Herman Hoops, a graduate of Bloomfield Theological Seminary, served this church from 1896 to 1936. The present pastor is Rev. Max C. Rost, 238 Verona Avenue.

Hoops, Herman H., Fortieth Anniversary of the Emanuel German Presbyterian Church. Newark, Emanuel German Presbyterian Church, 1936. 4 pp.

Session Records, 1896--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. August Heinzmann, Clerk, 235 Montclair Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1896--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert Fischer, Secretary, 60 Jerome Place, Belleville. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1896--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1896--., 2 vols., in custody of Miss Elizabeth Nugent, Secretary, 66 Elliott Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1896--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. August Stiker, Secretary, 45 Union Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. K, p. 67; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. I 30, p. 111; vol. R 29, p. 386; vol. 32, p. 22; vol. 32, p. 559.

134. GRACE CHURCH, 1890--. 157 Grove Street, Montclair, Essex County.

This church started as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Montclair (entry 108). First services were held in the Greenwood Lake Railroad Station. In 1892, Mr. Alfred A. Crave donated a site on Forest Street near Chestnut Street and the congregation incorporated and erected a chapel. They worshiped here until 1926, when they acquired property on the corner of Grove Street and Tuxedo Road, and erected and dedicated the present church. The manse at 24 Cleveland Road was built in 1930.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower surmounted by a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room adjacent to the main auditorium.

Rev. Frederick Rutan served this church from 1892 to 1894. The present pastor is Rev. Frank Hunger, 24 Cleveland Road.

Whittemore, Henry, History of Montclair, Montclair, Suburban Publishing Company, 1894, p. 57.

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Session Records, 1891--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. William Pendry, Clerk, 22 Oxford Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1891--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Franklin Sofield, Secretary, 14 Park Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1890--, 1 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1891--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Ray Baugaman, Superintendent, 26 Forest Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Charles Ogg, Secretary, 45 Tremont Place. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1900--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Alexander Samson, President, 3 Dodd Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 86; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. B 27, p. 221; vol. B 85, p. 181; vol. W 69, p. 253.

135. ROSELAND CHURCH, 1891--. Freeman Street, Roseland, Essex County.

This group incorporated in 1891, held their preliminary services in private home from 1891 to 1893. A site at 143 Eagle Rock Avenue was donated and a church erected in 1893. The congregation continued to worship here until 1930, when a site on Freeman Street was donated and the present church was erected and dedicated.

The manse site at 145 Eagle Rock Avenue was donated and the manse erected in 1925.

The Church is a frame structure of Mission type architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Edwin Fairley, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1891 to 1908. The present pastor is Rev. Howard M. Augustine, 145 Eagle Rock Avenue.

Session Records, 1895--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Henry Dunlard, Clerk, 139 Eagle Rock Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1893--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Walter Grossman, Secretary, 9 Courtlandt Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1891--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1937--, 1 file box, in custody of Miss Margaret Grossman, Secretary, Freeman Street. Quaintence Circle Records, 1933--, 1 vol.; Dorcas Circle Records, 1933--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. 1, p. 81; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. G 30, p. 569; vol. X 69, p. 547; vol. K 73, p. 327; vol. M 80, p. 502.

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136. FIRST CHURCH, 1892--. 10 Fairview Avenue, Verona, Essex County.

The Hon. John L. Johnson, Essex County Judge, was instrumental in forming this church. He allowed the members the use of Johnson's Hall rent free from 1892 to 1896, and also helped morally and financially to firmly establish this organization. The congregation incorporated in 1893. The present site was purchased from Susie L. Parkhurst and the church erected in 1895. It was dedicated February 16, 1896. The Church House was erected in 1931, on the same site. There is no manse. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Church House.

The church is a frame structure of Old Mission House type of architecture, with a tower, memorial chimes, steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward T. Lloyd served this church from 1895 to 1896. The present pastor is Rev. Charles G. Richards, 38 Firview Avenue.

Chamberlain, Paul A., Verona Presbyterian Church Year Book. Verona, First Presbyterian Church, 1920. 24 pp.

Richards, Charles G., Directory of Presbyterian Church. Verona, First Presbyterian Church 1935. 40 pp.

Session Records, 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Heirald, Clerk, 81 Pease Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Joseph F. Bartholomew, Secretary, 20 Chestnut Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George M. Bollenback, Secretary, 58 Gould Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. B. L. Van Brunt, Secretary, 81 Hillside Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1894--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Muriel Wilson, Secretary, 15 Upland Way. Cerelle Club Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. F. N. Van Voorhees, Secretary, 20 Westland Road, Cedar Grove.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 99; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. W 28, p. 586; vol. X 28, p. 439; vol. Z 28, p. 439; vol. Y 28, p. 471; vol. P 32, p. 434.

137. MONTGOMERY CHURCH, 1895--. 638 Main Street, Belleville, Essex County.

This church was sponsored by the Westminster Church of Bloomfield (entry 124). This group met as a Sunday School in the Montgomery Street School from 1895 to 1896. The present site was donated by the Osborne

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family in 1895, and the present church building was erected and dedicated in 1896. The congregation incorporated in 1923. Sunday School rooms adjoining the church were built in 1928.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, cathedral and memorial windows.

Rev. Wilson S. Phraner, a graduate of Princeton University, served this church from 1896 to 1932. The present pastor is Rev. Nils H. Christensen, 137 Roab Avenue, Bloomfield.

Phraner, Wilson S., Beginning of the Thirty-fifth Anniversary. Belleville, Montgomery Presbyterian Church, 1925. 6 pp.

Session Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Demarest, Clerk, 6 Moxie Street, Bloomfield. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harold Demarest, Treasurer, 638 Mill Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward Demarest, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1922--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Thomas Larne, Secretary, 16 Willet Street, Bloomfield. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs Anthony Grandini, Secretary, 23 Willet Street, Bloomfield. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Jane Figarella, Secretary, 638 Mill Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 82; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 69, p. 525.

138. MANHATTAN PARK CHURCH, 1897--. 446 Grove Street, Irvington, Essex County.

This church began as an English Sunday School mission of the Memorial Presbyterian Church (entry 125) in 1891. Where services were held is unknown. This church was organized and incorporated in 1897, as the Manhattan Park German Church. The present church was erected in 1898, on a site donated by the Presbyterian Church Extension Committee. The manse at 417 Fourteenth Avenue was erected on church property in 1900. The name of the church was changed in 1914 to its present title. Sunday School rooms were added to the rear of the church in 1919.

The church is a frame structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Otto Dietrick, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Theological Seminary, served this church from 1898 to 1900. The present pastor is Rev. Felix Steinmann, who resides in the manse at 417 Fourteenth Avenue.

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Bender, Louis R., Twenty-fifth Anniversary. Irvington, Manhattan Park Presbyterian Church, 1922. 4 pp.

Session Records, 1897--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. John Hedenburg, Clerk, 1287 West Clinton Avenue. Trustee Records, 1897--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Paul Steiner, Chairman, 484 South 19th Street, Newark. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1897--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1898--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Bender, Superintendent, 20 Grain Street, Newark. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Schaub, Secretary, 475 South Eighteenth Street, Newark. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1898--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Off, Secretary, 471 South 15th Street, Newark. Financial Records, 1897--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Bender, Secretary.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 153; vol. 2, p. 213; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. V, p. 155.

139. ITALIAN MISSION, 1900--. 45 Grove Street, Montclair, Essex County.

Italians engaged in digging trenches for the water system and who lived in the open on Midland Avenue, Montclair, built bonfires evenings and sang and worshiped around them. This mission was born out of this group. They met from 1900 to 1905, in the Grace Presbyterian Church of Montclair (entry 134). In 1905, a site was purchased and a chapel erected at Glen Ridge Avenue and Grove Street. They continued to worship here until 1926. Since this time services have been held in the parish house of the Central Presbyterian Church of Montclair (entry 151).

Rev. B. J. Coltorte, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1900 to 1904. The present pastor is Rev. John Tran, 88 Grove Street.

Session Records, 1900--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1900--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1900--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Lorraine Smith, Secretary, 41 North Fullerton Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1900--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

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140. SOUTH PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1900-1921. Merged. 177-181 South Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church started as a mission of the South Park Presbyterian Church (entry 115). Services were conducted in a chapel erected by the South Park Church in 1900. Services continued here until 1921, at which time the congregation merged with the South Park Church.

Rev. Lyman Whitney Allen, a graduate of Washington University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this congregation from 1900 to 1903.

The records are incorporated with those of the South Park Church (entry 115).

141. WEST CHURCH, 1902--. 52 Littleton Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

This church was originally started as the Bruce Street Mission under the guidance of the Roseville Presbyterian Church (entry 116) in 1902. At a meeting of the Presbytery of Newark in the same year, a petition to organize was presented, and the church was accepted and organized as the West Presbyterian Church. The congregation met from 1902 to 1907, at 19 Bruce Street in the Bruce Chapel. It was incorporated in 1903. A site at 11th and Littleton Avenues was purchased by the Church Extension Committee in 1907, and the present church was erected and dedicated. The manse at 59 Littleton Avenue was purchased by the church in 1910.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the rooms in the church.

Rev. John R. Fisher, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1902 to 1906. The present pastor is Rev. Luther P. Fincke, 59 Littleton Avenue.

Session Records, 1902--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George Ashborne, Clerk, 220 South Eleventh Street. Trustee Records, 1902--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George Tiel, Secretary, 21 Duncan Place, Nutley. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Andrew White, Secretary, 1057 Sanford Avenue. Financial Records, 1902--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George Tiel, Secretary.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 230; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. N 36, p. 195; vol. R 36, p. 401; vol. R 36, p. 73.

142. FIRST HUNGARIAN CHURCH, 1903--. 850 South 12th Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church began as a mission of the Third Church (entry 103), where services were held from 1903 to 1908. This group met in St. Matthew's Protestant Episcopal Church at 234 West Kinney Street from 1908 to 1913. This site was purchased by the Presbyterian Church Extension Committee and the members worshiped here until 1918. They moved thereafter to the High Street Presbyterian Church (entry 114) until 1920. A site had been purchased in 1919, at 139 Wickliffe Street, and the congregation moved there in 1920. Services were conducted here until 1922, when the property was sold. Members then worshiped in the Memorial Presbyterian Church at 316 South Orange Avenue (entry 125) until 1924. The congregation purchased the present site and the present church was erected in 1923. Dedication took place on May 18, 1924.

The church is a concrete block structure based with white stucco of Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. John Dekovics, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1903 to 1915. The present pastor is Rev. Joseph Rasky.

Dekovics, John, History of Hungarians in Newark. Newark, First Hungarian Presbyterian Church, 1906. 4 pp.

Session Records, 1908--, 1 vol., in English; 2 vols., in Hungarian; Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1908--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1908--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1910--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Julius Orta, Secretary, 132 South 21st Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 335; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. R 52, p. 597; vol. A 62, p. 1.

143. OLIVET ITALIAN CHAPEL, 1903--. 222 Hunterdan Street, Newark, Essex County.

This group was organized as a mission in 1903. Early meetings were held in a rented store until 1905, when it was sponsored by the First

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Fresbyterian Church (entry 99). The acquisition of the present site and the erection of the chapel was made possible by the generosity of the sponsor church. The house of worship was completed and dedicated in 1906.

The manse site at 226 Hunterdon Street was acquired and the manse erected in 1906.

The chapel is a frame and stucco structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a small tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel.

Rev. Francisco Toramella served this church from 1903 to 1904. The present pastor is Rev. Gennaro Giordano, 226 Hunterdon Street.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Financial Records), 1903--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Impaglia, Clerk, 122 Sunset Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1906--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Evelyn Mucciarroni, Secretary, 300 South Seventh Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Phillipina Grasso, Secretary, 235 Hunterdon Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Madolin Tartaglias, Secretary, 227 Hunterdon Street.

Record of deed: Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. U 38, p. 590.

144. PATTERSON MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1903--. 80 Washington Street, West Orange, Essex County.

This church began as a Sunday School in the Tory Corner Section of West Orange under the sponsorship of the Central Brick Presbyterian Church of East Orange (entry 442). Early meetings were held from 1903 to 1904 in a rented hall known as Bennett Hall at 29 Washington Street. In 1904, the congregation purchased the present site and erected the church. From 1903 to 1921, this church was known as the West Orange Presbyterian Chapel; but in 1929, it was incorporated and the name changed to its present title in memory of Rev. John Fullerton Patterson, in recognition of his efforts in maturing this church. The manse located at 55 William Street was erected in 1911.

The church is a dark brown shingled structure of meeting house architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room adjacent to the main auditorium.

Rev. John Fullerton Patterson served this church from 1903 to 1905. The present pastor is Rev. Henry Arthur Pierce, 55 William Street.

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Folsom, John Fulford, Municipalities of Essex County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1925, p. 196.

Session Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Crossman, Clerk, 21 Orange Heights Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs John Walling, Treasurer, 21 Park Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, members, and Deaths, 1904--, 3 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1904--, 2 vols.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Fred Crossman, Clerk.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 193; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. H 30, p. 389.

145. UPPER MONTCLAIR CHURCH, 1906--. 53 Norwood Avenue, Montclair, Essex County.

Early meetings were held in the home of Mr. Timothy Sellar, Park Street and Inwood Avenue. In 1907, Mr. Sellar donated the present site on-which a chapel was erected the same year. The congregation continued to worship here until 1913, when the present church was erected adjacent to the old chapel, and dedicated.

In 1925, a parish house which incorporates the old chapel as the auditorium was built on property donated by Mr. Sellar. The manse at 183 Inwood Avenue was erected in 1907.

The church is a greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with a carillon of sixteen bells, a tower, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the parish house.

Rev. George A. Paull served this church from 1907 to 1912. The present pastor is Rev. Robert C. Williamson, 183 Inwood Avenue.

Whittemore, Henry, History of Montclair, Newark, L. J. Hardham, 1896, p. 61.

Session Records, 1907--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert A. Neill, Clerk, 121 Belleville Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1907--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Donald De Witt, Clerk, 596 Upper Mountain Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1907--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Joseph Brown, Secretary, 247 North Mountain Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Andrew A. Duke, Secretary, 214 Fernwood Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 12, p. 306; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 43, p. 61.

146. FIRST UKRAINIAN CHURCH, 1909--. 49 Beacon Street, Newark, Essex County.

Preliminary meetings were held in the Sunday School on College Place. A site was purchased from Mr. Henry Gottlieb by the Church Extension Board, and a house of worship erected in 1910. It was dedicated April 9, 1911. From 1910 to 1923, this church was known as the First Ruthenian Presbyterian Church of St. Peter and St. Paul. In 1923, the name was changed to the present title and incorporated with the consent of the Presbytery.

The church is a brick structure of meeting house architecture, with two steeples, a belfry, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. John Badwig, who was educated in Canada, served this church from 1909 to 1910. The present pastor is Rev. Luke Standredt, who resides at 47 South Eleventh Street, Newark.

Cebelskey, Properson Largine, History of First Ukrainian Church of Newark. Newark, First Ukrainian Presbyterian Church, 1929. 70 pp.

Session Records, 1910--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Wollarmina, Clerk, 264 South Street. Trustee Records, 1910--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Alex Shumsky, Secretary, 47 Beacon Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1910--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Andrew Korvalsheck, Secretary, 23 Netherwood Place. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1915--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Luke Standredt, Secretary, 47 South 11th Street. Young Women's Missionary Society Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Helen Bareshik, Secretary, 256 South 22nd Street, Irvington. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Stella Herman, Secretary, 88 South 21st Street, Irvington. Financial Records, 1910--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Nicholas Jacently, Treasurer, 501 South 20th Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 336; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. K 46, p. 435.

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147. FAITH CHURCH, 1910--. 17 Smalley Terrace, Irvington, Essex County.

This church was organized as the Friendly Center Number Two, under the direction of the Standing Committee on National Missions of the Presbytery of Newark in 1910. Preliminary meetings and services were conducted in Manhattan Park German Church (entry 138) until 1913, when it was moved to a rented store at 564 South Orange Avenue, remaining here for approximately three years, then transferred to South Orange Avenue and 12th Street. In 1917, the present site was purchased from Mr. George Smalley and this church erected and dedicated. The name was changed to Faith Presbyterian Church in 1920, and was accepted in the Presbytery of Newark. Incorporation ensued in 1921.

The church is a stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows. The manse at 18 Smalley Terrace was built in 1921. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Fred A. Palmer, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1914 to 1917. The present pastor is Rev. Robert C. Pitzer, 14 Smalley Terrace.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary Directory. Irvington, Robert C. Pitzer, compiler, 1935. 10 pp.

Session Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward Lemke, Clerk, 136 Eastern Parkway. Trustee Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Peter Gehrke, Secretary, 91 Speedway Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1910--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George Dirgo, Secretary, 56 South Eleventh Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Spies, President, 57 Boylan Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1913--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Thomas Hendry, 34 Oak Avenue. Financial Records, 1914--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Lemke, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 49; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. T 64, p. 444; vol. Q 55, p. 322.

148. RIDGE VIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH, 1910--. 174 South Valley Road, West Orange, Essex County.

This church began as a result of a neighborhood movement. First meetings were held in residences. In 1910, Mr. Lowell R. Meeker donated

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land on which a frame chapel was erected. In 1928, the present church was erected and dedicated on an adjacent lot, and the old chapel was used for Sunday School purposes.

The church is a field stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, four bell chimes, and plain windows.

Rev. Thomas Sinclair Dickson, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1911 to 1914. The present pastor is Rev. Oscar Raymond Lowry, 55 Randolph Place, South Orange.

Pierson, David L., History of the Oranges, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, p. 634.

Session Records, 1911--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Weaver, Secretary, 50 Oxford Terrace. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1911--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Ralph Badle, Treasurer, 22 Dartmouth Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1911--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1911--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Arthur Schlobber, Secretary, 22 Gilbert Place. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1916--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Booth, Secretary, 5 Overlook Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1911--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Joyce Rinehardt, 23 Pine Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 171; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. T 46, p. 568.

149. WEEQUAHIC CHURCH, 1910--, 335 Meeker Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

This church started as a mission of the Elizabeth Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 113). Early meetings and services were held on Watson Avenue in 1910. Incorporation ensued in 1910. In 1911, the present site was purchased and the Park View Chapel was moved to the new site. This chapel was donated by Mr. Nathan Geib. The manse at 290 Meeker Avenue was purchased by the church in 1928.

The church is a stuccoed structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Sherman H. Macy served this church from 1910 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. Wallace L. Gallup, who resides at 290 Meeker Avenue.

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Gallup, Wallace L., Twenty-fifth Anniversary. Newark, Weequahic Presbyterian Church, 1935. 32 pp.

Gallup, Wallace L., Historical Address. Newark, Weequahic Presbyterian Church. 4 pp.

Session Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Thomas J. Worsley, Clerk; 38 Dickers Terrace, Union. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Gawlick, Treasurer, 35 Schuyler Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1918--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Thomas J. Worsley, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Doris Mazer, Secretary, 48 Eckert Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Muriel Anderson, Secretary, 238 Milford Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Walter Gawlick, Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 358; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. A 55, p. 547; vol. S 58, p. 239; vol. Y 65, p. 269.

150.. FIRST ITALIAN CHURCH, 1912--.. 242 Jefferson Street, Newark, Essex County..

This church began as a mission of the Third Presbyterian Church (entry 103), holding meetings in a rented store at 73 Nicholas Street in 1912. The following year the meetings were transferred to a rented store at 267 Adam Street, and continued there until 1914. During 1913, the Church Extension Committee purchased the present site, and the church was erected, and not dedicated until 1914. The following year the name was changed to East Side Presbyterian Church, and in 1922, became the First Italian Presbyterian Church.

The church is a stuccoed structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the church.

Rev. Peter Di Nardo, a graduate of the Roman Catholic Seminary, Naples, Italy, and the Bible Teacher's Training School, New York, was the first pastor, serving from 1912 to 1922. Rev. Reginaldo Bartolini, 367 Elm Street is the present pastor.

Session Records, 1914--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1915--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Philip Alterizio, Clerk, 58 Warwick Street. Sunday School Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Grace Alterizio, Secretary, 58 Warwick Street. Women's Auxiliary

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Records, 1937-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Louis Jabitto, Secretary, 18 Gladstone Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1927-- , 4 vols., in custody of Miss Virginia Cicalese, Secretary, 68 Warwick Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1915-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Farciggi, Secretary, 241 Warwick Street.

Record of incorporation and deed can not be found.

151. CENTRAL CHURCH, 1913-- . 48 Park Street, Montclair, Essex County.

This church grew out of a combination of Trinity Church of Montclair (entry 130) and the First Church of Montclair (entry 108). The congregation incorporated in 1913. First meetings were held from 1913 to 1922, in the former Trinity Church. In 1921, a site was purchased from Mr. Peter Larson and the present church and church house were erected. Dedication took place on October 15, 1922.

The church is a red brick and Indiana limestone structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church house.

Rev. Edmund Melville Wylie, a graduate of Boston University School of Theology, served this church from 1914 to 1931. The present pastor is Rev. Morgan Phelps Noyes, who resides in a rented manse at 181 Wildwood Avenue, Montclair.

Mc Spadden, J. Walker M., The Story of a Hundred Years. Montclair, Edward Madison Company, 1937. 160 pp.

Session Records (include records of the First and Trinity Churches of Montclair), 1914-- 2 vols.; Trustee Records (include Financial Records and records of First and Trinity Churches of Montclair), 1914-- , 3 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, (includes records of First and Trinity Churches of Montclair), 1914-- , 3 vols.; Sunday School Records (include records of the First and Trinity Churches of Montclair), 1914-- , 3 vols.; Women's Auxiliary Records (include records of First and Trinity Churches of Montclair), 1914-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Lorraine E. Smith, Church Secretary, 62 Glenwood Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 2, p. 18; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. D 63, p. 475.

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152. TRINITY MISSION, 1915--. 73 Race Street, Bloomfield, Essex County.

This group organized as a mission under the sponsorship of the Thirteenth Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 105) in 1915. Services were held from 1915 to 1916, at 1 Race Street. The congregation moved to a rented hall at Bloomfield Avenue and Broad Street in 1916, where they remained until 1917. During the same year they again moved to 24 West Street for six months, and from there to Knox Hall where they held services until 1935. They moved next to 27 Race Street and continued to worship here until March 1940, when a building was purchased and renovated at 73 Race Street and services have since been held there.

The mission is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in this building.

Rev. Albert Summers served this church from 1915 to 1917. The present pastor is Rev. Lincoln McGee, 209 Wallace Street, Orange.

Taylor, Helen Scherff, Bloomfield, New Jersey, Bloomfield, Independent Press, 1932, p. 37.

Session Records are incorporated with the records of the Thirteenth Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 105). Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1940--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Zachariah Price, Secretary, 6 West Street. Sunday School Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Lawrence Williams, Clerk, 45 Race Street.

153. CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, 1918--. 542 North Seventh Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church began as a mission under the Presbyterian Church Extension Committee. The building on Garside Street at Sixth Avenue was purchased in 1918. From 1921 to 1927, they rented a building at 112 Stone Street in which to hold services. The present site was purchased in 1926, from Mr. Frank Marzulli, and the present church erected and dedicated in 1927.

The church is a red brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Peter Di Nardo, a graduate of College Aversa, Italy, University of Naples, and New Biblical Seminary, has served this church since 1919. He resides at 417 Abington Avenue.

Reynolds, Charles Lee, Missionary Work Among the Italians in Newark. Newark, Church of Our Saviour, 1937. 3 pp.

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Session Records (include Trustee and Vital Statistics Records), 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Peter Di Nardo, President, 417 Abington Avenue. Financial Records, 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of deeds: Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. H 60, p. 295; vol. K 73, p. 577.

154. FIRST MAGYAR CHURCH, 1919--. 324 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell, Essex County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1919, in the First Presbyterian Church of Caldwell (entry 100), and services are held still in that building. The Presbyterian Church Extension Committee sponsors this organization.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, belfry, bell, memorial and cathedral windows.

Rev. Joseph Malacaias, a graduate of Bloomfield Theological Seminary, served this church from 1919 to 1925. The present student pastor is Mr. Victor Bodner, 55 Broad Street.

Session Records, 1919--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Benjamin Barney, Clerk, West Caldwell. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1919--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Peter Csontas, Secretary, Roseland. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1919--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Benjamin Barney, Clerk. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Gymaty, Secretary, West Caldwell.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 22; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. R 3, pp. 249, 250.

155. FIRST CHURCH, 1927--. 17 Ilford Avenue, North Arlington, Bergen County.

This church originated in 1924, when the First Presbyterian Church of Arlington (entry 126) conducted Sunday School classes in an empty store opposite the present bank building. This Sunday School was considered a mission of the Arlington Church and received its constant support. An increase in membership necessitated a removal to the Lincoln School on Ridge Road, where it remained until acquisition of the present site.

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It soon became apparent that a Presbyterian Church in North Arlington should be organized. The matter was brought to the attention of the Church Extension Committee of the Presbytery of Newark. This body agreed that a church should be established, and as a result purchased the present site, consisting of several lots, from the Fidelity Investment Company of Arlington in 1925. The present church was completed and dedicated in 1927, and formal organization and enrollment in the Presbytery of Newark became effective the same year.

The church is a brown sandstone structure of Gothic architecture, with plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Clyde H. Roddy, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1927 to 1935. The present pastor is Rev. Milton B. Eastwick, who received his appointment in 1935. He resides in rented quarters at 19 Melrose Avenue, North Arlington.

Eastwick, Milton B., Tenth Anniversary, North Arlington, First Presbyterian Church, 1937, p. 28.

Session Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Sills, Clerk, 61 Hendel Avenue. Trustee Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Allen, Secretary, 23 Devon Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. John McCanbrey, Treasurer, 69 Ilford Avenue. Circle #1 Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Walter Plastaw, Secretary, 77 Fairmount Avenue. Circle #2 Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. David Baird, Secretary, 221 Rutherford Place. Circle #3 Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Freeman, Secretary, 112 Ten Eyck Avenue, Lyndhurst. Circle #5 Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Joseph Koderis, Secretary, 41 Willis Road. Circle #6 Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Alexander Brown, Secretary, 110 Rutherford Place. Circle #7 Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Clair McKenzie, Secretary, 22 Melrose Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records (Business Groups), 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Lockridge, Secretary, 55 Ilford Avenue; (Junior Group), 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Myra Bamford, Secretary, 45 Melrose Avenue; (Senior Group), 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Robina Rankin, Secretary, 112 Prospect Avenue. Women's Bible Class Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Joseph Sharp, Secretary, 38 York Road. Men's Club Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Clark, Secretary, 26 Bathurst Avenue. Financial Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Peter Kelly, Treasurer, 1 Pleasant Place, Arlington.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 20, p. 466; Deeds, vol. 1318, p. 354; vol. 1397, pp. 302-304; vol. 1389, p. 76.

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156. SANFORD HEIGHTS CHURCH, 1927--. 844 Sanford Avenue, Irvington, Essex County.

The Sanford Heights Church is one the many Presbyterian Churches in this area that were started and fostered by the Standing Committee on National Missions of the Newark Presbytery. In 1927, the committee purchased the present site, and a portable frame building which was purchased from Mr. Rudolph Sarwald was moved to this site. This chapel was used for services from 1926 to 1938. Several members of the Faith Presbyterian Church (entry 147) joined with the new congregation, and the opening service was held on June 27, 1927. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1938.

The church is a red brick structure of Old English architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel and in the church.

Rev. Fred A. Palmer, the present pastor, a graduate of Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary, has served this church since its inception. He resides in the manse located at 426 Chapman Place.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1927--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Walter Rusch, Clerk, 663 Sanford Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harry Littel, Secretary, 1236 Clinton Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Patz, Secretary, 25 Laurel Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Ivory, Secretary, 21 Thirty-eighth Street. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George Van Houten, President, 56 Hillside Terrace.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. R C 3, p. 220; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. E 81, p. 447.

157. PORTUGESE CHURCH, 1929--. 356 Lafayette Street, Newark, Essex County.

This church began as a mission of the Sixth Presbyterian Church (entry 112), at meetings held in that church from 1929 to 1931. In 1931, this group sponsored by the Presbyterian Church Extension Committee, moved to the First Church Tabernacle, whose congregation began attending the First Church (entry 99). Services are conducted in Portugese and English.

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The church is a stuccoed structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower, and plain windows. A parish house was erected in 1911. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room in the church.

Rev. Samuel S. Rizza, a graduate of Drew Seminary, began his services in 1935, and is still pastor of this church. He resides at 90 Second Avenue.

Session Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. M. O. Dantos, Secretary, 95 Chambers Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1930--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Manuel Ferrandiz, Secretary, 130 Ferry Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Roman Freidricks, Secretary, 424 Lafayette Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Ida Conceico, Secretary, 241 Inslee Place, Elizabeth.

158. WATCHUNG CHURCH, 1929--. Watchung Avenue, opposite Clubb Street, Bloomfield, Essex County.

This church was organized by Rev. Ernest O. Schwitters. First meetings were held from 1929 to 1930, in a real estate office on Watchung Avenue and Broad Street. With the permission of the Presbytery of Newark, funds were raised, the site purchased, and a church erected on the present site. The work was accomplished by the small group of organizers and the only cost was for materials purchased. The manse at 26 Highfield Road was built in 1938, on property purchased by Rev. John Adams Reed, and transferred to the church in 1939.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tall steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Ernest O. Schwitters served this church from 1929 to 1931. The present pastor is Rev. John Adams Reed, 26 Highfield Road.

Session Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James Neal, Clerk, 22 Bird Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William E. Preic, Secretary, 41 Davis Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Georgia Clark, Secretary, 546 Valley Road, Upper Montclair. Men's Bible Class Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Payton, Secretary, 32 Leslie Terrace. Women's Bible Class Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Dorothy Cumming, Secretary, 50 Oakridge Road. Financial Records, 1929--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. Vollney O. Riser, Treasurer, 85 Lake Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 3, p. 198; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 5, p. 273.

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159. PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY, 1839--. Dr. Addison B. Collins, Stated Clerk, 112 Third Avenue, Haddon Heights.

Although the Presbytery of East Jersey separated from the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1733, and together with that of Long Island became the Presbytery of New York in 1738, the churches of West Jersey long kept their early affiliation with Philadelphia.

An effort was made to combine the churches of south Jersey and those bordering on the western bank of the Delaware into the Presbytery of Abington in 1752. This program was short-lived, the churches of this new presbytery rejoining the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1758.

It was not until 1839 that the Presbyterian churches in south Jersey felt equal to the responsibility of severing the long established tie with Philadelphia. In that year, 1839, the Presbytery of West Jersey was set up, including all the area lying generally south of the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Although organized into a separate presbytery of their own, these churches of West Jersey (south) remained for four years in the Philadelphia Synod, transferring to the Synod of New Jersey in 1843.

In 1849, the Presbytery of Burlington was carved out of West Jersey, with the two churches of Allentown and Bordentown added from the Presbytery of New Brunswick. Upon the reunion and reorganization of 1870 the Presbyteries of Monmouth and Burlington were combined. The Burlington records, 1849-70, will be found listed with those of the Presbytery of Monmouth (entry 237).

The first moderator of Presbytery was Dr. George Washington Janvier; the first stated clerk was Dr. Samuel Beach Jones. The present moderator is Rev. James A. Donahue; the present Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of West Jersey is Dr. Addison B. Collins, 112 Third Avenue, Haddon Heights, N. J. The Presbytery meets five times each year.

Presbytery Records, 1839--, 9 vols.; 1839-1920, 8 vols., in Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia; 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Dr. Addison B. Collins, Stated Clerk.

160. FAIRFIELD CHURCH, 1680--. Main Highway, Fairton, Cumberland County.

More than 250 years ago a group of pioneers from Connecticut and Long Island settled in Cumberland County at what is now know as Fairton. Realizing the need for a place of worship, these people.

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organized a church and erected a log building, their first house of worship in 1680, on a site obtained from the West Jersey Society of England. It was situated on the south bank of the Cohansey River, this locality being known as the New England Cross Roads. This church was first known as Christ Church of Fairfield, and is the parent of the Fairfield Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterian historians agree that this church was Presbyterian as early as 1680. The congregation continued to worship here until 1717, when a frame church was built on the same site, and part of the property was used as a burying ground. Today, this original site is among the historic spots of the county, and is marked by a monument. In 1775, the church was in such poor condition that benches were moved outdoors and services held there. Land was purchased for a new site in the same year, and the second church was completed in 1780; the congregation incorporated as the Presbyterian Congregation of Fairfield in 1783. In 1838, the congregation divided into two groups, one of which erected a brick church at Cedarville (entry 171). Since 1850, this old stone church is used once a year for anniversary services, and occasionally for weddings and funerals. In the year 1850, when this church closed, a new building was erected on the present site donated by Mr. James Campbell, and this church carries the name of the Fairfield Presbyterian Church.

In 1759, a manse was built on a site consisting of a farm of 150 acres in Sayre's Neck, not far from the church site. This property was sold in 1807, as the pastor of that date purchased a home of his own. The present manse was erected on the Main Highway between Church and South Streets in 1849, on property also donated by Mr. James Campbell. In 1862, the church was enlarged, and in 1867, a chapel was built in the rear of the church, and used for Sunday School purposes. The congregation reincorporated in 1866.

The church is a two story plain frame building.

Rev. Thomas Bridge, a graduate of Harvard College, served this church from 1695 to 1702. The present pastor is Rev. Clinton Cook, Main Highway.

Bi-Centennial Celebration of the Old Stone Church, September 29, 1880. Bridgeton, A. M. Histon, 1881. 81 pp.

Cushing, Thomas and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, pp. 666-668.

Cook, Clinton, The Fairfield Presbyterian. Fairton, Fairfield Presbyterian Church, 1936. 12pp.

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The Pastor of the Old Stone Church, Philadelphia, William S. & Alfred Martien, 1858, pp. 1-37.

All records prior to 1759 have been stored in the Historical Department, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Session Records (include Trustee Records and Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1759--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Justice Livingston, Clerk, Main Street. Sunday School Records, 1850--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Clarence Roller, Secretary, Maple Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1884--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Oriah Taylor, Secretary, Main Street. Missionary Society Records, 1888--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Lillie Davis, Secretary, Fairton. Financial Records, 1850--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Lewis, Treasurer, Cedarville.

Record of incorporations and deeds: P. L. 1783, p. 265; P. L. 1866, p. 265; Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 2, p. 404; vol. 18, p. 256; vol. 29, p. 347; vol. 80, p. 79.

161. GREENWICH CHURCH, 1700--. Roadstown-Shiloh Road, Greenwich, Cumberland County.

This church was organized in 1700. The first church, a frame building, was erected in 1717, on land donated by Mr. Thomas Reeves, across the street from the present church. Incorporation ensued in 1791. This church was used until 1792, when it was torn down and replaced by a new structure in the same year. The congregation continued to worship here until 1836, when the present church was completed and dedicated. The site was given by Mr. Amos Woodruff in 1821. It was enlarged in 1871, and again in 1910.

The manse adjoining the first church, which contained the records of the church, was destroyed by fire in 1747. It was replaced by a second manse in the same year. The present manse was erected in 1836, on land donated by Mr. Providence L. Wheaton.

The church is a two story red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Joseph Black was the first pastor, serving this church from 1700 to 1708. The present pastor is Rev. Benjamin Ferguson, Route #2, Bridgeton.

Andrews, Bessie Ayars, Historical Sketches of Greenwich in Old Cohansey, Greenwich, Greenwich Presbyterian Church, 1905, pp. 30-36.

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Cushing, Thomas and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, pp. 680-684.

Fithian, Enoch, History of the Presbyterian Church of Greenwich. The Chronicle, 1871. 31 pp.

Jerken, D. K., A Discourse Delivered on the Centenary of the First Presbyterian Church, Greenwich, New Jersey. Easton: George W. West, Book and Job Printers, 1875. 41 pp.

Session Records (include Records of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1766--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Hannah Fithian, Clerk, Greenwich. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1724--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Renne, Secretary, Roadstown- Shiloh Road. Sunday School Records, 1818--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Henry Renne, Superintendent, Greenwich. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1902--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Fred Renne, Secretary. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1864--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Mollie Simpkins, Custodian, R. F. D. #2, Bridgeton. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1898--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Hannah Fithian, Secretary, Roadstown-Shiloh Road. Financial Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Norman Wright, Treasurer, Sheppards Mill Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. A, p. 8; Deeds, vol. 89, p. 334; vol. 39, p. 431; vol. 127, p. 414; vol. 154, p. 528.

162. COLD SPRING CHURCH, 1714--. Old Shore Road, Cold Spring, Cape May County.

First services were held in a small log cabin which was called the Meeting House. This church is within the bounds of the First Presbytery organized in America, and many direct descendants of the Pilgrims of the Mayflower were members of this church. The church and settlement derived its name, Cold Spring, from a cold spring of fresh water bubbling up in the midst of a salt marsh. This spring was quite famous in early days and is still preserved.

The second church, a frame structure, which was larger than the first church, was built in 1754, and it is said that the frame of it remained in use until 1824. The third and present church was erected and dedicated in 1823. This was a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows, and referred to as the Old Brick Church. In 1848, this church was remodeled, and in 1927, the congregation incorporated.

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Rev. John Bradner, a graduate of the University of Edinburgh, served this church from 1714 to 1721. The present pastor is Rev. William Bullock, R. F. D. #1, Cape May.

Rev. Moses Williamson, born in Pennsylvania, graduate of Dickinson College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, was pastor of this church from 1831 to 1873. He personally encouraged education by visiting schools aiding pupils privately, and starting a high school at the parsonage. He finally erected and conducted, at a great expense, the Cold Spring Academy, located on church property. This building at present is commonly called the Academy Building or Township House, and is now used for Lower Township municipal purposes only.

Howe, Paul S., Mayflower Descendants in Cape May County, (Contains Session Records of Cold Spring Presbyterian Church, 1804-1815). Cold Spring, Presbyterian Church, 1906. 27 pp.

Hughes, Daniel Lawrence, Historical Address, Cold Spring Presbyterian Church. Cape May City, J. Henry Edmunds, 1889. 60 pp.

Session Records, 1879--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1873--, 2 vols.; 1873-1910; 1910--, 1 vol.; 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Richard E. Reeves, Clerk, Stimpson Lane, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1816-72; 1872-1911; 1911-23; 1923--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Richard Reeves, Clerk. Missionary Society Records, 1930-34; 1934-35; 1936--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Heath Cote. Secretary, R. F. D., Cape May. Financial Records, 1816--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. William C. Hoffman, Treasurer, R. F. D., Cape May.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 6, p. 35; Deeds, vol. B, p. 146; vol. A, p. 35; vol. L, p. 225; vol. O, p. 93; vol. T, p. 283; vol. Y, p. 365; vol. 30, p. 224; vol. 67, p. 72; vol. 361, p. 170.

163. WOODBURY CHURCH, 1721--. Centre and Broad Streets, Woodbury, Gloucester County.

This church came into existence and incorporated as the German Presbyterian Church of Woodbury shortly prior to August 10, 1721, and on that date Mr. John Tatem deeded an acre of ground, including the present old graveyard, to a few business men of Philadelphia, and a few yeomen of the countryside near Timber Creek. This was a small congregation for, in 1732, there were only ten families who were ministered to by irregular itinerant supplies until 1751, when Rev. Benjamin Chestnutt became the first settled pastor. The call was issued jointly by the congregation of Timber Creek, now Blackwood, and Woodbury, thus beginning a lasting union. There was but one church until 1770, but after that the congregation divided but had the same session until 1828 and the same

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minister until 1843. Reincorporation took place in 1819.

There is a tradition that this original log cabin building was used as a Commissary Depot during the Revolution. In 1803, it was sold and torn down and for years after the razing, the discouraged congregation worshiped in the Old Academy building, opposite the present church. At first a portion of the school room was curtained off and used until 1821. When a second story was added to the school building, the Trustees of the Academy deeded the lower floor to the Trustees of the church for "the free use and enjoyment of the celebration of divine worship as long as the present building shall stand". In 1834, these people built and dedicated a brick church. In 1906, this building was refaced with stone and another wing added to the front. In 1930, a large addition was erected in the rear and was used as the Sunday School. The manse at 44 Euclid Avenue is a large frame building, owned by the church.

The church is a stone structure of Norman architecture, with a squat tower, antique bronze bell, and cathedral memorial windows.

Rev. Benjamin Chestnutt, the first pastor, served this church from 1750 to 1787. The present pastor is Rev. Montague White, 44 Euclid Avenue.

Cushing, Thomas and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 177.

One Hundredth Anniversary of the Woodbury Presbyterian Church. Woodbury, Woodbury Presbyterian Church, 1934. 8 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1819--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Alexander Rogers, Clerk, 9 Cooper Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Ralph W. Wildie, Secretary, 46 North Horace Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1888--, 11 vols., in custody of Mrs. Harriet Grier, Secretary, 127 Hunter Street. Ladies' Missionary Society Records, 1898--, 9 vols., in custody of Mrs. Frances Hoagland, Secretary, 37 Davis Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Peachey, Secretary, 126 South Horace Street. Financial Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Johnson, Treasurer, 67 Center Street, East.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. 3, p. 139; vol. 3, p. 261; Deeds, vol. A 5, p. 981; vol. A 3, p. 763.

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164. DEERFIELD CHURCH, 1737--. Deerfield Street, Deerfield, Cumberland County.

The early organization and incorporation of the Deerfield Presbyterian Church reverts to the year 1732, when a number of Presbyterian families from Germany, Scotland, and Ireland settled here. After the land had been cleared and log cabins erected they held a meeting to make plans for the erection of a school and church combined. A log building was realized for this purpose and was used until its facilities could no longer accommodate the growing population.

In the year 1737, they formally organized a church and resolved to build a separate church building. They purchased more land to the south of their first site and all members worked to erect what was referred to as "the Log Church in the Forest" in the same year. For thirty-four years they worshiped here, using the surrounding ground as a cemetery. In 1771, this log church was demolished and a new church was erected on the same site. In 1858 and 1907, the building was enlarged and remodeled. It was reincorporated in 1917, and the name of the church was changed from the Presbyterian Congregation of Deerfield to the Deerfield Presbyterian Church.

The church is a onestory native brownstone building of meeting house architecture, with a small tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the social hall directly across the street from the church which was purchased from Mr. John R. Richards in 1885.

Rev. Andrew Hunter served this church from 1746 to 1760. The present pastor is Rev. Graeme Smith who resides in the manse on Deerfield Street. The manse site was purchased from Mr. Elijah Parvin in 1885.

Davis, R. Hamill, History of the Presbyterian Church of Deerfield. Camden, S. Chew, 1873. 31 pp.

Snyder, Adam, The Sesqui-Centennial, The 150th Anniversary of the Deerfield Presbyterian Church. Bridgeton, John Cheesman, 1888. 77 pp.

Session Records (includes Trustee Records, Records of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths and Sunday School Records) 1746--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. James McNabb, Secretary, Polk Lane. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1901--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. James McNabb, Secretary. Financial Records, 1872-83, 1884--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. James McNabb, Treasurer.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. B, p. 37; vol. D, p. 277; Deeds, vol. 178, p. 167; vol. 16, p. 456; vol. 274, p. 194.

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165. PITTS GROVE CHURCH, 1741--. Aldine and Poletavern Roads, Daretown, Salem County.

This church, called Pilesgrove before the Revolutionary war, was really the mother of the Salem Church (entry 170), and the churches of Woodstown and Elmer (entries 183,202). Hollanders and Huguenots who had come to New York State in the Seventeenth century had been drawn to the milder climate of southern New Jersey early in the eighteenth century. Their first church, near what is now Woodstown, is thought to have been for those of the Dutch Reformed faith. Decay settled its career, but not the desire for the people's regular worship.

In 1739, Mr. Isaac Van Meter applied to the Presbytery of Philadelphia for the settlement of the gospel among them. The Presbyterian organization of 1741, followed, and was the first of a permanent kind in the county. A church constructed of cedar logs was erected in 1739. Services were held in this meeting house until 1767, when the first brick church was erected. The congregation continued to worship here until 1867, when the present church was erected and dedicated. Incorporation took place on April 6, 1814. An addition was built to the church in 1934.

The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a spire, tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. David Evans was the first pastor, serving this church from 1740 to 1750. The present pastor is Rev. Philip Mergler, Daretown.

Brown, Allen H., and John Ewing, History of Presbyterian Church of Pittsgrove, Salem County, N. J. Philadelphia, John B. Rogers Printing Company, 1893. 53 pp.

Van Meter, The History of the First Presbyterian Church, Salem, N. J., Salem, Sunbeam Publishing Company, 1924, pp. 20-23.

Session Records, 1809--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Clifford Dare, Clerk, Daretown. Trustee Records, 1779--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Swing Williams, Clerk, Daretown. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1802--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Russell Hitchner, Secretary, R. F. D. #1, Bridgetown. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1872--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Barrett, Secretary, Daretown. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1877--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss May Dickson, Secretary, Daretown. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Swing Williams, Secretary. Financial Records, 1860--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Salem County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. A, p. 28; Deeds, vol. L, p. 423; vol. P, p. 205.

166. FIRST CHURCH, 1750--. East Church Street, Blackwood, Camden County.

The first meetings were held in private homes about 1750. In January 1751, an acre of land on the main road in Blackwood was from Mr. John Blackwood for a very small amount, as Mr. Blackwood was anxious for a house of worship to be erected. The church was built of logs and was completed on May 25, 1751. The congregation incorporated in 1843. They worshiped here until 1847, when the church was found to be too small for the congregation, so they erected the present church in 1848. The manse adjacent to the church was erected in 1854, on a site purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Hurf Woodrow in 1853.

The church is a stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Benjamin W. Chestnutt, a graduate of College of New Jersey, served this church from 1751 to 1775. The present pastor is Rev. Robert C. Smith, East Church Street.

Brace, R. F., Sesqui-Centennial 1750-1900, First Presbyterian Church, Blackwood, New Jersey. Philadelphia, T. C. Davis & Sons, 1900. 35 pp.

The Sesqui-Centennial Celebration of the First Presbyterian Church, Blackwood, New Jersey, Blackwood, First Presbyterian Church, September 30 - October 3, 1900, p. 36.

Session Records, 1890--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Everett M. Murphy, Clerk, Blenheim and Erial Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1890--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1920--, 5 vols., in custody of Miss Rachel Deaner, Secretary, Lake Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1923--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Helen Smith, Secretary, Morris Avenue. Financial Records, 1923--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Everett M. Murphy Jr., Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 377; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. U, p. 501; vol. 40, p. 1; vol. 71, p. 243; vol. 213, p. 318; vol. 805, p. 16; vol. 822, p. 510.

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167. BLACKMAN'S MEETING HOUSE, 1764-1814 (circa). Extinct.
Zion Road, Bargaintown, Atlantic County.

Specific and complete information regarding the above church was inaccessible to the compilers of this publication. However, it has been ascertained and verified by a deed recorded, and through perusal of records extant in the Atlantic County Historical Society, that a Presbyterian Meeting House was established c1767.

In the year 1764, Andrew Blackman sold for the sum of two pounds, approximately one acre of land, to the Chosen Trustees, for the erection, building, and standing of a Presbyterian Meeting House. Three years later, 1767, a memorandum was written on the back of the original deed explaining the views of the elected trustees and proving the house had been erected. The memorandum reads in part as follows: "We written grantees having been chosen trustees to carry on and manage the building of a Presbyterian Meeting House upon the lands within granted. . . . acknowledge that the said land and meeting house is not our own personal property, but is bought and built by subscription of many persons, neither do we claim any other interest in it but what we have in common with all who have subscribed hereto, . . . and do promise that it shall be kept as a house of public worship and the land for a free burying yard. A memorandum we leave on the back of this instrument that posterity may not be defrauded by their rights or mistaken about the intent thereof, which is to secure a house of public worship".

Blackman's Meeting House was near the village of Bargaintown, about ten miles southeast of Mays Landing. It was built of planks nailed perpendicularly and was used as a house of worship by a group of Presbyterians. The exact date this congregation ceased as a Presbyterian unit is uncertain. It is known that the original site was sold to the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church in 1814, and that they erected a brick church on the said site of the old meeting house.

Dodson, Albion and Leonidas, Philip Vickers Tithian: Journal, 1775-1776, Princeton, Princeton University Press, 1934, p. 279.

Record of deed: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. X, pp. 407-410.

168. FIRST CHURCH, 1792--. North Laurel Street, Bridgeton, Cumberland County.

This church was organized as the Broad Street Presbyterian Church in 1792. Prior to this time residents traveled to the Greenwich Presbyterian Church (entry 161), Fairfield Presbyterian Church (entry 160),

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or the Cohansey Baptist Church for religious worship. Previous to the edification, services were held in the Court House. The congregation incorporated in 1802, and the name was changed to its present title, The First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton. In 1835, under the leadership of Rev. John Kennedy, the congregation resolved to build a church. A lot running from Laurel to Pearl Street was purchased from Mr. Henry Smalley in the same year. The present place of worship erected in 1835, dedicated in 1836, and remodeled in 1861.

The present church is a two story brick structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Kennedy was the first pastor, serving this church from 1834 to 1838. The present pastor is Rev. Howard G. Wilkinson, 200 Commerce Street.

Beach, Sylvester W., A History and Hand-book of the First Presbyterian Church, Bridgeton, N. J. Philadelphia, Allen, Lane and Scott, 1897. 74 pp.

The History of the Laying of the Cornerstone of the Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton, N. J., 100th Anniversary, July 26, 1892. Bridgeton, Reeve and Fithian, 1893. 142 pp.

Session Records, 1791--, 4 vols.; Trustee Records, 1791--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Eugene Lanning, Clerk, 291 West Commerce Street, Sunday School Records, 1890--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edwin R. Carey, Secretary, 301 East Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1902--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Ranch, Secretary, 523 East Pine Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1836--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles P. Carey, Secretary, 133 Atlantic Street. Financial Records, 1791--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Albertson Huber, Treasurer, 297 East Commerce Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. 60, p. 575; Deeds, vol. 102, p. 244; vol. 5, p. 55; vol. 6, p. 510.

169. FIRST CHURCH, 1820--. Second and Pine Streets, Millville, Cumberland County,

Prior to the organization of this church, there was no house of worship in Millville. Persons of all denominations held services in the old schoolhouse on the corner of Second and Sassafras Streets. When the Presbyterians under the leadership of Rev. Ethan Osborn, organized the Presbyterian Church at Port Elizabeth in 1820, most of the influential members were residents of Millville and the interest of the church gradually centered there, hence the society incorporated the same year and came to be commonly called the Millville Presbyterian Church.

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The first services were held in the home of Mr. James Park, who resided on the Main Highway, Port Elizabeth, until the year of 1838, when land was donated on Second and Pine Streets, for a church site by the Buck family who lived in Millville. A one story frame structure was erected where services were held until 1855, when it was torn down and replaced by the present church which was erected and dedicated then.

The church is a two story greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Social Hall, which was erected in 1932, at the rear of the church. The manse adjoining the church was erected in 1848, enlarged with greystone and attached to the church in 1868.

Rev. Isaac Davison served this church from 1841 to 1843. The present pastor is Rev. David Berry, Second and Pine Streets.

Cushing, Thomas, and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland Counties, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 640.

Maylin, Edward W., History of the Presbyterian Church of Millville, August 1820 to October 1876. Millville, First Presbyterian Church, 1876. 10 pp.

Session Records, 1820--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Newton Wade, Clerk, Third and Main Streets. Trustee Records, 1885--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. R. Ernest Dunham, Secretary, 118 High Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1841--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Newton Wade, Clerk. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1935--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ella Fleetwood, Secretary, 1205 Main Street. Financial Records, 1820--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. George Worstall, Treasurer, 425 East Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. E, p. 65; Deeds, vol. 62, p. 184.

170. FIRST CHURCH, 1821--.. Market Street near Grant Avenue, Salem, Salem County.

The Presbyterian Society with the aid of Pittsgrove Church (entry 165), began its worshipping in 1820, holding their meetings in the Episcopal Church on Market Street. The Episcopalians deciding to have no more Calvinist services held in their church barred and locked the doors. When the Presbyterians appeared there was no church to worship in. Locked out, the indignant Presbyterians met in the Court House and formulated plans for a church of their own. Colonel Robert Johnson donated the land. Aided by Dr. Van Meter and others, the necessary amount was raised, and the corner stone was laid in 1821. The

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present church was erected and dedicated, and the congregation incorporated in 1856, on a site donated by Colonel Johnson.

The church is a brick and stone structure of Colonial architecture, with a spire and cathedral windows. The manse at 60 Market Street was erected in 1906, on land donated by Artemesia K. and Martha J. Van Meter.

Rev. John Burt was the first pastor, serving this church from 1824 to 1830. The present pastor is Rev. Allison Reid Bryan, 60 Market Street.

Bannard, William, Historical Discourse. Salem, First Presbyterian Church, 1876. 4 pp.

Van Meter, Anna Hunter, The History of the First Presbyterian Church. Salem, First Presbyterian Church, 1924. 16 pp.

Session Records, 1911--, 3 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1821--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1909--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Jesse Finlaw, Secretary, Salem. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Walter Baker, Secretary, East Broadway. Financial Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Wilbur C. Springer, Treasurer, 77 Market Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Salem County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. B, p. 179; Deeds, vol. Z, p. 306; vol. 4, p. 446; vol. 5, p. 238; vol. 7, p. 309; vol. 12, p. 635; vol. 28, p. 730; vol. 118, p. 101.

171. FIRST CHURCH, 1838--. East Main Street, Cedarville, Cumberland County.

In the fall of 1838, the old Fairfield Presbyterian congregation (entry 160) was divided into three parts; one part organized as the First Presbyterian Church of Cedarville. Preliminary meetings were held in the Friendship School on the south side of the dam until 1840, when land was given by Mr. Daniel Burt and a one story brick structure was erected for their house of worship. The same was enlarged in 1851, to accommodate the increasing membership. The congregation incorporated in 1840.

The present church is a two story red brick structure of New England Colonial architecture, with a high steeple, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church. The manse, built in 1861, is located on East Main Street, about one block from the church site. In 1894, a farm owned by Mr. William

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A. Smith, was willed to the church and converted into a cemetery named "The Cedar Hill Cemetery".

Rev. Richard Curran served this church from 1839 to 1848. The present pastor is Rev. Raymond Hoag, West Main Street.

Hoag, Raymond, 100th Anniversary, The First Presbyterian Church of Cedarville, N. J., 1838-1938. Cedarville, Presbyterian Church, 1938. 7 pp.

Smith, George L., History of the First Presbyterian Church, Cedarville, N. J. Bridgeton, A. M. Heston, 1881. 22 pp.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1838--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Burt Howell, Clerk, Maple Avenue. Trustee Records, 1840--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Siebert, Secretary, 128 North Main Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1838--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1886--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Clifton E. Diamant, Secretary, East Main Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1904--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harry Sheppard, Secretary, East Railroad Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Virginia Hoag, Secretary, 76 North Main Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1886--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Bateman, Secretary, 48 Edgewood Avenue. Financial Records, 1886--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George A. Diamant, Treasurer, East Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. E, p. 105; Deeds, vol. 68, p. 78; vol. 94, p. 659.

172. OSBORNE MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1838--. East Main Street, Cedarville, Cumberland County.

This church, given by Mr. Reuben Bateman in 1838, was originally known as the Second Presbyterian Church of Fairfield. In 1870, the congregation and the Presbytery of West Jersey changed the name to Second Presbyterian Church of Cedarville. In 1889, when the new church was erected and dedicated, a gift of Mr. Ethan Osborne Thompson, grandson of Mr. Ethan Osborne, the name was again changed to Osborne Memorial Church. The old building, which was the meeting house of the Reformed Methodist Society, is in back of the church joined by a porte cochere and is used for Sunday School classes and social purposes.

The present church is a one story frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse, a two story frame building, was erected in 1857, on land adjoining the church which was purchased from Mr. Richard Bateman in the same year.

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Rev. Alexander Porter, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1838 to 1839. The present pastor is Rev. Richard Benne, a student minister from Princeton Theological Seminary.

Session Records (contain Financial Records, 1830-1930), 1838--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Emma Garrison, Clerk, 148 East Main Street. Trustee Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Clifton Bateman, Secretary, West Main Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1838--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Emma Garrison, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1857--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Dare, Secretary, Maple Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Elizabeth Wallen, Secretary, Main Street. Financial Records, 1838--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Clifton Bateman, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. E, p. 84; Change of Name, vol. A, p. 279; Deeds, vol. 66, p. 483; vol. 10, p. 415.

173. SECOND CHURCH, 1838--. North Pearl Street, between Commerce and Washington Streets, Bridgeton, Cumberland County.

Due to the large number of Presbyterians settling in Bridgeton early in 1836, the need was evidenced for a second Presbyterian church. The sponsors of this movement met with much opposition, because of the fear that it would harm the First Presbyterian Church (entry 168). In 1838, a small group rented the chapel of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Washington and Bank Streets. Application was made to the New School Third Presbytery of Philadelphia for recognition, and the Second Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton was organized with 17 members. The present site was donated by Mr. Daniel Stratton, and their present church was completed and dedicated in 1840. The congregation incorporated the same year. In 1850, the church left the New School Presbytery and united with the Old School Presbytery of West Jersey. The manse at 105 North Pearl Street was purchased in 1858.

The church is a large two story stone structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. William Mandell, a graduate of Amherst College, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1842 to 1844. The present pastor is Rev. Howard E. Bodder, 105 North Pearl Street.

An Application for Transfer by the Second Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton from the Third Presbytery of Philadelphia, to the Presbytery of West Jersey. 1850. Ms.

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Bodder, Howard E., One Hundredth Anniversary Second Presbyterian Church, Bridgeton, N. J., 1838-1938. Bridgeton, Second Presbyterian Church, 1938. 41 pp.

Session Records, 1858--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Jesse P. Reeves, Clerk, 332 Atlantic Street. Trustee Records, 1840--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Percy Owen, Secretary, 91 Devonshire Place. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1838--, 3 vols.; 1828-1916, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Jesse P. Reeves, Clerk; 1916--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1838--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Milton H. Sheppard, Secretary, 94 South Laurel Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1884--, 3 vols.; 1884-1920, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Milton Dare, Secretary, 360 Atlantic Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1892--, 3 vols.; 1892-1925, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Howard E. Bodder, Custodian, 105 North Pearl Street; 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Anna Belle Walker, Secretary and Treasurer, 198 Oak Street. Financial Records, 1838--, 5 vols.; 1838-1914, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Jesse P. Reeves, Clerk; 1914--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Wilson L. Moore, Treasurer, 215 Columbus Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. E, p. 102; Deeds, vol. 65, p. 438; vol. 92, p. 785.

174. FIRST CHURCH, 1840--. 5th and Penn Streets, Camden, Camden County.

Preliminary services in 1840, were held in a schoolhouse located at Third Street between Market and Arch Streets, then known as Plum Street. In April of that year, this congregation of from eight to twenty persons, moved to the City Hall. During this time application was made to the Synod of New Jersey to start a new church. This request was granted in June and plans to build were immediately made to use an old church site, at 5th and Penn Streets, between Market and Cooper Streets, which had been donated. The corner stone was laid October 28, 1846, and the church was completed eighteen months later. This property was held in trust by Mrs. Hannah Henry until 1848, when it was deeded to the church. The congregation incorporated the same year.

A second church building was proposed and the present site obtained from the estate of Richard Cooper, June 30, 1870. The corner stone was laid in 1871, the church completed and dedicated in 1873. This is a three story structure of Connecticut brownstone, Westchester greenstone, and Ohio bluestone, of Roman and Gothic architecture. A spire of 196 feet was damaged by a cyclone, leaving only the tower. The church has plain windows, and a large rose window over the front entrance. Services were conducted in the unfinished building, as the old church was sold to Trinity Baptist Church, December 28, 1871.

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The Sunday School building adjoins the church. The manse located at 410 Linden Street was formerly rented, and was purchased in 1924.

Rev. Giles Manwaring, a graduate of Union College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1847 to 1848. The present pastor is Rev. Augustus D. Whitney, Jr., 410 Linden Street.

Hodge, Edward B., History of the Presbytery of Burlington County. April 10, 1888. Ms. 42 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths; Sunday School Records to 1919), 1840--, 9 vols., in custody of Mr. Edwin T. Seabrook, Clerk, 566 Benson Street. Sunday School Records, 1919--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Women's Guild Records, 1923--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs Harvey K. Partridge, Secretary, 911 Cooper Street. Missionary Society Records, 1869--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs Edgar Macy, Secretary, 120 York Street. Senior Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Irene Chonto, Secretary, 36 Wood Street, Junior Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Edna Danfield, Secretary, 512 Rec Place. Financial Records, 1873--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. John S. Wilson, Treasurer, 66 South 30th Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 51, p. 556; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 1, p. 36; vol. 45, pp. 499-502; vol. 64, p. 253; vol. 81, p. 242; vol. 150, p. 118; vol. 270, p. 49; vol. 427, p. 442; vol. 556, p. 547.

175. FIRST CHURCH, 1840--. Main Street, Williamstown, Gloucester County.

Following the boom at Old Squankum (now Williamstown) in 1835, when a glass industry was established, a number of Presbyterian families who had moved into the neighborhood were permitted to hold services in the Methodist Church until 1840, at which time a church organization was effected by a committee of the Presbytery of West Jersey. A small house of worship was erected in 1842, on the present site which was purchased in 1841. The congregation incorporated in 1845.

For many months the congregation struggled on through discouragements and often without ministerial services, and it was not until 1843, that Rev. Charles E. Ford was installed as their first regular pastor. The church flourished under the pastor's leadership, and by 1859, the church debt was cleared and the house of worship enlarged. This was subsequently razed and replaced in 1913, by the present church. The manse at 330 East Main Street was purchased from Mr. Arthur and Gertrude Stanley.

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The church is a brick structure of Tudor-Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in a room adjacent to the main auditorium.

Rev. Charles E. Ford was the first pastor, serving this church from 1843 to 1868. The present pastor is Rev. William S. Clapp, 330 East Main Street.

One Hundredth Anniversary of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939. Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton, 1939, pp. 52-54.

Session Records, 1918--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harvey Horn, Clerk, 410 Main Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1900--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Harvey Horn, Clerk. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William S. Clapp, Secretary, 330 East Main Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Andrews, Secretary, Sickleville. Financial Records, 1900--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Eden Bugbee, Treasurer, Hall and Clinton Streets.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. C, p. 9; Deeds, vol. 5, p. 28; vol. 19, p. 37; vol. 21, p. 187.

176. MAYS LANDING CHURCH, 1841--. Main Street and Cape May Avenue, Mays Landing, Atlantic County.

Rev. Samuel Colt was sent to Mays Landing by the Presbytery of West Jersey, early in 1841, to establish a church. Meetings were held in the Free Meeting House, and the Court House until 1842, when the congregation incorporated. Early in 1841, 44 persons contributed funds and Mr. Samuel Richards, the site, for a building to be used for Presbyterian worship, primary, secondary and classical education. This building was used before it was completely finished, not being ready for dedication until 1844. In 1891, the manse was erected at Park Place and Egg Harbor Road.

This church, constructed of brick, reflects the Colonial type of architecture, with a gabled roof and plain windows. Sunday School classes are held in the church proper.

Rev. Samuel Colt, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was the first pastor, serving from 1841 to 1846. The present pastor is Rev. Charles B. Marker, Park Place and Egg Harbor Road.

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Gilfillan, Joel S., Historical Discourse Presbyterian Church, Mays Landing, N. J. Philadelphia, Allen, Lane & Scott, 1899. 36 pp.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Financial Records), 1841--, 2 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Mite Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. H. C. James, Secretary, Main Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Lucille Carson, Secretary, Main Street.

Record of Incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. A, p. 450; Deeds, vol. C, p. 36; vol. Q, p. 554; vol. 36, pp. 418-423.

177. FIRST CHURCH, 1847--. Burlington and Monmouth Avenues, Gloucester, Camden County.

This church was started as a mission of the Woodbury Presbyterian Church (entry 163) by Rev. John M. Rogers, who in 1845, first held meetings in the Old Hudson Street schoolhouse at Broadway and Hudson Street. From here the congregation moved to Washington Hall, where on June 27, 1847, he called a meeting for the purpose of organizing a church. It was organized by a committee from the Presbytery who founded the congregation and conducted services in Washington Hall. In 1848, a site was purchased at Monmouth and Burlington Avenues from the Gloucester Land Company, who donated part of the purchase money. The corner stone of the church was laid in October 1848, and the completed church was dedicated December 10, 1850.

A site for the manse was given by Rev. Matthew B. Crier. The manse at 309 Monmouth Street was built by Rev. Henry M. Reeves during his pastorate 1869 to 1881. In 1893, the manse was raised two feet, and a front wall and back porch added. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. John M. Rogers, the first pastor, served this church from 1847 to 1848. The present pastor is Rev. Theron Hewitt, 309 Monmouth Street.

Session Records, 1931--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ernest M. Ritchie, Clerk, 624 Powell Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1933--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ella McDougal, Secretary, 218 South Boulevard. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Alice Forster, Secretary, 324 Broadway. Financial Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William G. Kraneback, Treasurer, 828 Monmouth Street.

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Record of deeds: Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 34, p. 142; vol. 40, p. 267; vol. 58, p. 189; vol. 63, p. 173; vol. J, p. 350.

178. CENTRAL CHURCH, 1850--1855. Extinct. 4th and Clinton Streets, Camden, Camden County.

This group upon organization in 1850, was referred to as the "New School Presbyterians". Early services were held in the residences of various members in the neighborhood of 4th and Hartman Streets, now Clinton Street. These services were conducted by Rev. John Mears, one of the prime workers of the "New School" faction. A church building was proposed, and property purchased by the members at the present location. In the fall of 1851, the church was erected and the congregation incorporated. Growth in the membership was retarded due to the opposition of the "Old School". The church struggled with its many problems until 1855, when it was forced to close, being heavily in debt. In 1855, it was sold to the Camden Board of Education.

The church was a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. John W. Mears, a graduate of Yale Theological Seminary, served this church from 1852 to 1854.

Boyd, William, Fifty Years After or One Half Century of Presbyterianism in Camden, New Jersey. 1900. 24 pp.

Central Presbyterian Church, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1924, p. 329.

Heston, Alfred M., History of South Jersey, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1924, vol. 1, p. 124.

Record of incorporation and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporation, vol. B, p. 20; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. N. p. 78.

179. CHURCH OF TUCKAHOE, 1851-1928, 1938--, Route 50, Tuckahoe (formerly Williamsburg), Cape May County.

Early services were held in the homes of various members. Property on which to build a church was purchased by the congregation and a church was erected at the present location in 1851. Dedication services were held May 22, 1851. This church at first was organized as the Presbyterian Church of Williamsburg, until a sum of money was

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left to the church, calling it the Presbyterian Church of Tuckahoe. This changed the name of the church and also the name of the town. The church was incorporated May 28, 1892. The church closed December 16, 1928, and remained so until 1938, when services were again held and have since continued uninterrupted.

This church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Allen H. Brown served this church from 1851 to 1866. The present pastor is Rev. Alfred Barratt, Elwood.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, and Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1851--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles H. Blizzard, Clerk, Tuckahoe. Financial Records, 1851--, 3 vols.; 1851--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. John Batdorf, Secretary, Tuckahoe; 1851-52, 2 vols., in Princeton Theological Seminary.

Record of incorporation and deed: Cape May County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 167; Deeds, vol. 112, p. 194.

180. LEEDS POINT CHURCH, 1851--. Main Hill Road and Presbyterian Avenue, Leeds Point, Atlantic County.

This church was originally organized as a mission in 1848. Meetings were held in the old schoolhouse in Leeds Point. The first church was erected soon after the organization and incorporation as a church in 1851, on a site donated by Mr. Joseph Leeds. Services were continued here until 1937, when this church was destroyed by fire; a new church was erected and dedicated on the same site a year later. From the time of the fire until the new church was erected, services were held in Red Man's Hall on Leeds Point Road.

The church is a frame and brick structure of Gothic architecture, with plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church proper.

Rev. Edward Eels was the first pastor to serve this church. At present the pulpit is occupied by students of Princeton Theological Seminary.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Financial Records), 1858--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1938--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Samuel Blackman, Secretary and Treasurer, Leeds Point Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 71; Deeds, vol. G, p. 814; vol. 37, p. 172.

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181. CLAYTON CHURCH, 1853--. Delsea Drive and Maple Street, Clayton, Gloucester County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1853. First services were held from 1853 to 1869, in a small church located on Center Street, which was donated by Mr. John Moore. In 1869, subscriptions were circulated for funds for a new church, and again Mr. Moore donated land for the present church. The new church was erected and dedicated in 1869. The manse, at Delsea Drive and Clayton Avenue, adjoining the church, was erected the same year.

The church is a stone structure of modified Gothic architecture, with small pointed towers, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Alexander Proudfit, a graduate of Rutgers University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1866 to 1869. The present pastor is Rev. James A. Donahue, Delsea Drive and Clayton Avenue.

Cushing, Thomas, and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 314.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1908--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Isaac Hendricks, Clerk, West Clayton Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1869--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Dr. J. F. Mackay, Secretary, Delsea Drive. Men's Bible Class Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Sarah Smith, Secretary, Glassboro State Teachers College, Glassboro. Financial Records, 1920--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. George Gruff, Treasurer, Fries Hill Road.

Record of deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. G 5, pp. 107, 373; vol. O 4 p. 221; vol. 161, p. 335.

182. FIRST CHURCH, 1854--. Kings Highway, Swedesboro, Gloucester County.

At the request of Rev. Allen H. Brown, who had organized and stabilized many Presbyterian churches in South Jersey, an invitation was sent out to all people who wished to meet to form a Presbyterian church in Swedesboro. The first meeting was held in the Academy on October 11, 1854. The next meeting was held at the home of Mr. William Black. A committee was appointed to enter into negotiation with Dr. Charles Garrison in the matter of purchasing a suitable lot upon which to erect the church. Authority was also given the committee in 1854, to have the deed for the lot duly executed and to file a certificate of incorporation

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of the Swedesboro Presbyterian Church. Dr. Garrison agreed to donate a lot for the purpose intended.

The people, desiring a Presbyterian church in Swedesboro petitioned the West Jersey Presbytery to organize them into a church. The Presbytery granted the request and sent a committee to effect the organization in 1854. From this time until the summer of 1856, services were held in the Odd Fellow's Hall, when the present church was erected and dedicated. The manse is at 139 East Avenue.

The church is a one story white frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral memorial windows. Sunday School classes are held in a room in the church proper.

Rev. Chester Bridgeman was the first pastor, serving this church from 1859 to 1863. The present pastor is Rev. George Kone, 139 East Avenue.

Session Records, 1900--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frank Wilson, Clerk, 502 Park Avenue. Trustee Records, 1870--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Percy McAllister, Secretary, Kings Highway. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Janet Young, Secretary, 615 Kings Highway. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mabel Debois, Secretary, 122 Railroad Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Hilda Liebforth, Secretary, 26 Mechanic Street. Financial Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Wright, Treasurer, Franklin Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds; Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. 1, p. 516; Deeds, vol. Q 4, p. 322; vol. R 5, p. 590; vol. 223, p. 454.

183. WOODSTOWN CHURCH, 1855--, South Main Street, Woodstown, Salem County.

Rev. Allen Henry Brown was the founder of this church. It was while he was serving the Presbyterian Church at Mays Landing as a stated supply, that he turned his attention to Woodstown. He preached to 63 persons in the Town Hall at Woodstown in 1853, where he maintained an appointment at intervals for over a year. A few weeks after he came to Woodstown he gathered a number of citizens together and took steps toward establishing a Presbyterian church with the assistance of Pittsgrove Church (entry 165). The order of events was somewhat unusual. A charter was obtained from the court, a board of trustees elected, a lot purchased, and a contract for a place of worship made before the congregation was organized.

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A committee on organization was appointed in October 1854, but it was not until November 22, 1855, with four ministers from the West Jersey Presbytery present, that the congregation was organized and incorporated. Subscribers to the fund for the erection of a Presbyterian church met in the Town Hall on November 9, 1854. On March 26, 1855, a committee on selection of a lot made their report to the Board of Trustees. The lot selected was that of Mr. Charles Carlhopper. This lot was purchased on May 1, 1855. Plans and proposals for the erection of a house of worship were submitted in August of the same year. The building was erected and dedicated December 3, 1857. The congregation purchased the manse at 25 Bowen Avenue on August 7, 1888.

The church is a one story white frame structure of Early American architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Chester Bridgman, a graduate of Amherst College and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1859 to 1863. The present pastor is Rev. Frederick W. Brink, 25 Bowen Avenue.

Collier, Francis J., Woodstown Presbyterian Church, Woodstown, First National Bank, 1907, p. 16.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1856--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Joshua Hedley, Clerk, Sharpstown. Trustee Records, 1854--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Jesse Lippincott, Secretary, 52 No. Main Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1856--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1924--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. Earl Springer, Secretary, 20 Auburn Street. Women's League Records, 1924--, 6 vols., in custody of Miss Jessie Richman, Secretary, 145 North Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Salem County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. C, p. 154; Deeds, vol. 18, p. 661; vol. 28, p. 144; vol. 32, p. 401; vol. 39, p. 273; vol. 68, p. 593; vol. 105, p. 484.

184. ABSECON CHURCH, 1856--. New Jersey Avenue, Absecon, Atlantic County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1856. From 1856 until 1859, meetings and services were held in Walker's Hall, Odd Fellows Hall, and the Old Schoolhouse, all located on New Jersey Avenue. In addition to the above locations, services were occasionally held in the Absecon Academy, which stood in the rear of the present church building. In 1856, land for a church was purchased from Mr. Frederick Chamberlain, but the church was not erected and dedicated until 1865. An addition was made in 1925.

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The church is a frame structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, with a steeple, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Charles T. McMullin, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Divinity School, served this church from 1864 to 1871. At present the church is without a pastor.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1859--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Bernard Ireland, Clerk, Shore Road and Iowa Avenue. Trustee Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Samuel Johnson, Secretary, 154 New Jersey Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1859--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Ballantine, Secretary, 135 New Jersey Avenue. Missionary Society Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, Secretary, 501 New York Road. Mite Society Records, 1887--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Joseph Allen, Secretary, 35 Faunce Landing Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1899--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Frances Kurkeley, Secretary, 66 Natalie Terrace. Financial Records, 1898--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Mary Townsend, Secretary, Shore Road and Church Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. A, p. 171; Deeds, vol. J, p. 375; vol. 29, p. 294.

185. FIRST CHURCH, 1856--, Pennsylvania and Pacific Avenues, Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

This organization started as a mission in 1856, under the leadership of Rev. Allen H. Brown, a pioneer missionary assigned by the Philadelphia Presbytery, who conducted services in the residence of Mr. Chalkley S. Leeds, at 23 North Massachusetts Avenue. Services were conducted here until 1859, at which time a house of worship was erected and dedicated on the present site given by the Camden and Atlantic Land Company in 1856. The congregation affiliated with the West Jersey Presbytery in 1870, and incorporated the same year. The manse at 41 Pennsylvania Avenue was erected in 1906, and at present is leased. During construction of the present house of worship which was erected in 1909, and dedicated in 1915, services were conducted in the community building in rear of the church.

The church is a rough brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower housing 10 bells, known as "The Mother Bells of Atlantic City", ranging in size from two hundred and twenty-five pounds to one ton, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the community building.

Rev. William Aiken, a graduate of New York University, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1884 to 1894.

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The present pastor is Rev. Henry Merle Mellen, residing at Carolina Crest Hotel, 134 South Carolina Avenue.

Aiken, William, Historical Discourse, First Presbyterian Church. Atlantic City, First Presbyterian Church, 1906. 21 pp.

Mellen, Henry Merle, A Resort Church, 1856-1936. Atlantic City, Books and Idler Company, 1936, 35 pp.

One Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939, Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton, 1939, p. 78.

Session Records, 1856--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Eugene N. Bell, Secretary, 5 East Plaza Place, Pleasantville. Trustee Records, 1856--, 3 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1856--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Addie B. Bullock, 625 Oriental Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1879--, 4 vols., in custody of Jane Burke, Secretary, 521 Pacific Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1886--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Ruth Denholm, Secretary, 6412 Winchester Avenue, Ventnor City. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1880--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Enda Dehn, Secretary, 54 North Delancey Plaza Place, Ladies' Aid Records, 1926--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs Ruth D. Davis, Secretary, 116 North Vermont Avenue. Financial Records, 1855--, 13 vols., in custody of Mr. Eugene N. Bell, Treasurer, 5 East Plaza Place, Pleasantville.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic City County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 166; Deeds, vol. 1, p. 59; vol. C, p. 128; vol. A, p. 87.

186. BRAINERD MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1859--. White Horse Pike and Union Avenue, Elwood, Mullica Township, Atlantic County.

This church organized June 3, 1859, as the Presbyterian Church Congregation of Colville, Batsto, and Hammonton. The first meetings and services were held in the Pleasant Mills Methodist Episcopal Church by Rev. Allen Henry Brown, itinerant Evangelist. Services were also held in Elvin's Hall, Hammonton, until 1860, when a small meeting house was built on land donated for that purpose by members of the Colwell family. This structure was replaced in 1863, by the present church, which was named for Rev. John Brainerd, Evangelist. Incorporation took place in 1863. The present church was remodeled in 1937.

The present church is a one story frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

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Rev. Allen Henry Brown, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1859 to 1860. The present pastor is Rev. Alfred Barrett, who resides in the manse adjoining the church on property purchased from Mr. Jacob Miller in 1902.

Heston, Alfred M., Annals, Atlantic City, 1920, pp. 250-253.

Session Records, 1859--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1855--, 3 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1859--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Karl Bieselin, Secretary, Weymouth Road. Sunday School Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Alfred Crane, Secretary, Columbia Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Karl Bieselin, Secretary. Financial Records, 1861--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles P. Kuen, Treasurer, Pleasant Mills Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. A, p. 378; Deeds, vol. T, p. 228; vol. 276, p. 273.

187. FIRST CHURCH, 1859--. Bellevue Avenue and Third Street, Hammonton, Atlantic County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1859. Preliminary meetings and religious services were held in Union Hall, Bellevue Avenue and Main Street, from 1859 to 1866, donated by Michael G. and Mary Landis. It was renovated and enlarged in 1879. The congregation continued to worship here until 1895, when the present church was erected on a site donated by Eli and Almira Stockwell. Dedication took place in 1896. In 1906, Mr. Henry D. Moore paid the entire mortgage of the church.

The church is a frame and brick structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. F. R. Brace was the first pastor, serving this church from 1861 to 1867. The present pastor is Rev. Charles A. Cureton, who resides in the manse at 322 Bellevue Avenue, which was built in 1879, on a site also donated by Eli and Almira Stockwell in the same year. Sunday School classes meet in the basement of the church.

Cureton, Charles A., A Brief History of the First Presbyterian Church, Hammonton, New Jersey, in 75th Anniversary Bulletin. 1861-1936. Hammonton, Presbyterian Church, 1936. 19 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, and Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1861--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Doerfel, Clerk, 586 Central Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1910--,

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30 vols., in custody of Miss Eleanore Doerfel, Secretary. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1912--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Helena Packard, Secretary, 325 Vine Street. Financial Records, 1861--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles B. Miller, Secretary, Bellevue Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 205; Deeds, vol. P, p. 2; vol. T, p. 454; vol. Z, p. 868; vol. 37, p. 370.

188. SECOND CHURCH, 1860-1923. Merged. 4th and Benson Streets, Camden, Camden County.

In the fall of 1859, services were held in the residence of members of the First Church (entry 174). Neighbors were invited to attend and by the first of the year, 1860, enough members had been solicited to make formal organization of a church in this section possible. This took place in the First Church on March 1, 1860. Plans were made to build a church and a site was purchased at the corner of 4th and Washington Streets in April of the same year from Mr. Edwin A. Stevens of Hoboken, who asked that eight hundred dollars be deducted from the purchase price as a donation from him. This site was afterward thought unsuitable and was exchanged May 1, 1865, for property at 4th and Benson Streets. The congregation incorporated the same year. From 1860 to 1866, the First Church was used for services until the completion of the new building in September, 1866.

The church prospered and was instrumental in founding a Sunday School Mission called "Grace Presbyterian" (entry 209) at 27th Street and Garfield Avenue. Property for this group as a chapel site was purchased by the Second Church in 1890.

A second church, a one story greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and plain windows, was erected in 1885. The former church on adjoining property was used for a Sunday School. A two story brick residence at 7th and Washington Streets was purchased for a manse in 1920.

Depressing conditions arose and in March 1923, the members of the Second Church were granted permission by the Presbytery of West Jersey to unite with the First Church. The Second Church building was sold to the Camden Board of Education in November 1923, to relieve crowded school conditions.

Rev. Lewis Carter Baker, a graduate of Princeton University and Theological Seminary, served this church from 1860 to 1882.

Prowell, George R., History of Camden County. Philadelphia, L. J. Richards and Company, 1886. 16 pp.

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The records of this church (1860-1923, 15 vols.), are in custody of Mr. Edwin L. Sedbrook, Clerk of Sessions of First Church, 566 Benson Street

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 11; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 38, p. 215; vol. 48, p. 400; vol. 117, p. 249; vol. 125, p. 94; vol. 152, p. 82; vol. 154, p. 477; vol. 180, p. 133; vol. 460, p. 338.

189. FIRST CHURCH, 1863--. Northeast corner of 8th and Landis Avenues, Vineland, Cumberland County.

Preliminary meetings were held in Mabbitt's barn where organization and incorporation were effected in 1863. Services were removed to a schoolhouse (present site of the Grove House) where they remained until 1864, at which time a house of worship was erected on a site given by Mr. Charles K. Landis, the same year. The church dedicated in 1865, was subsequently razed and the property sold to the Government in 1913, as a site for the present Post Office. From organization in 1908 until 1924, the Memorial Church (entry 227) was sponsored by this church. The manse at 620 Wood Street was erected in 1904, on a site given by Mrs. Aurelia K. Leake. The present house of worship was erected in 1913, on a site given by Mr. Philip Baker the same year.

The church is a two story granite structure of Gothic architecture, with a bell and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Samuel Loomis, the first pastor, served this church from 1863 to 1866. The present pastor is Rev. Layton Fraser, 620 Wood Street.

Comwell, Joseph A. and William Taylor, A Short History of the Presbyterian Church, Vineland, New Jersey, 1913. Vineland, Smith Printing House, 1913. 68 pp.

Comwell, Joseph A., Life of Doctor King. Philadelphia, Arthur King, 1923. 52 pp.

Manuel and Directory of First Presbyterian Church. Vineland, Smith Printing House, 1913. 60 pp.

Hundrdth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939. Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church, 1939, pp. 68,69.

Session Records, 1863--, 4 vols.; 1863-1905, 1 vol.; 1905-25 (include Records of Memorial Church of Vineland, entry 227), 1908-24, .

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1 vol.; 1925-38, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor; 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Eugene Gillette, Clerk, Northeast Avenue and Garden Road. Trustee Records, 1924--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Parker T. Wriggins, Treasurer, 57 Howard Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1863--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Eugene Gillette, Secretary. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Jane Jeffries, Secretary, Vineland. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1864--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Ida Jeffries, Secretary, West Landis Avenue and Orchard Road. Financial Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Parker T. Wriggins, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. G, p. 20; Deeds, vol. 101, p. 493; vol. 331, p. 25; vol. 273, p. 232.

190. FIRST CHURCH, 1866--. Pennington Avenue, Waterford, Camden County.

This church was organized in the home of Mrs. Hannah Porter at Pennington Avenue in 1866. The church site was donated by Mr. William Porter and the present church was erected and dedicated in the same year. During the period of construction, services were conducted in the residence of Mrs. Hannah Porter.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry and plain windows. Sunday School classes meet to receive religious instruction in the church.

Rev. John B. Edmondson served this church from 1867 to 1868. At present the church is without a pastor.

Session Records (include Trustee Records; Record of Baptisms, Acceptance, Marriages, Members, Deaths; and Financial Records), 1866--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Oscar S. Battelle, Clerk, White Horse Pike. Sunday School Records, 1866--, 1 vol.; in custody of Miss Elsie Niepling, Treasurer, White Horse Pike.

Record of deed: Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 50, pp. 306, 307.

191. FIRST CHURCH, 1867--. Atco Avenue and Second Street, Atco, Camden County.

The first meetings were held in the home of Rev. Samuel Loomis on Atco Avenue and Fifth Street in 1867, at which time the church was

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organized. A site for a church and manse was donated the same year by the Richards family and the church erection was started. They continued to worship in the home of the pastor until the spring of 1869, when the church was completed. The congregation incorporated the same year. The laying of the corner stone and dedication took place at that time. Because of increasing membership and to accommodate the needs of the congregation, it became necessary to erect a new church in 1920. The old church was torn down and sold to an Italian Lodge. The corner stone for the new church was laid on October 23, 1921. The manse was erected in 1927. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

The church is a one story frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Samuel Loomis served this church from 1867 to 1868. Mr. John C. Castle, a student at Temple University, is the stated supply at present.

Session Records, 1867--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Theodore Schleinkofer, Clerk, Carper Road. Trustee Records, 1867--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Schleinkofer, Treasurer, Atco Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1867--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Theodore Schleinkofer, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1867--., 4 vols., in custody of Miss Elizabeth Ellsworth, Secretary, Atco Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1867--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs John Schleinkofer, Secretary, Atco Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1890--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Jean Pfleger, Secretary, Atco Avenue. Financial Records, 1867--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Albert E. Duple, Secretary, Atco Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 25; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 404, p. 314; vol. 508, p. 465.

192. FIRST CHURCH, 1867--.. Taunton and Haines Avenues, Berlin, Camden County.

Preliminary services were held in a log meeting house on what is now White Horse Pike, where organization and incorporation were effected in 1867. Services continued here until 1868, at which time the present house of worship was erected and dedicated on a site given by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Cake. The church was remodeled in 1927.

The church is a two story stuccoed structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

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Rev. John B. Edmundson served this congregation from 1868 to 1870. The present pastor is Rev. Alexander Laird, a stated supply, residing in Glassboro.

Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939, Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church, 1939, pp. 70, 71

Session Records, 1867--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Richard Fink, Clerk, Park Avenue. Trustee Records, 1868--, 10 vols.; 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Margaret Fink, Secretary. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Funerals, 1867--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1868--, 7 vols., in custody of Miss Theresa Day, Secretary, Haines Avenue. Financial Records, 1867--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Esther Pierce, Church Secretary, Hamilton Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1915--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Elizabeth Comer, Secretary, Marlton Pike. Ladies' Aid Financial Records, 1915--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Esther Pierce, Treasurer. Christian Endeavor Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Florence Dick, Secretary, Locust Avenue. Financial Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mabel Dowd, Treasurer, West Taunton Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporation, vol. 1, p. 32; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 55, p. 545.

193. FIRST CHURCH, 1867--. Yale Road and University Boulevard, Glassboro, Gloucester County.

This church was organized in 1867. Services were conducted in private homes from 1867 to 1869, when the first church was erected on Church Street. In 1898, it was moved to Academy Street. The present church was opened August 12, 1912, and dedicated on June 16, 1913. According to the slight information that can be obtained, this church had a most difficult time to exist.

The present church is a light brown stuccoed structure of architecture somewhat resembling the Swiss, with a large bell tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Alexander Proudfit the first pastor, served this church from 1867 to 1869. The present pastor is Rev. Lewis A. Goldbraith, 200 Villanova Road.

Laird, Alexander, Historical Sketch of the First Presbyterian Church of Glassboro, N. J. Glassboro, Presbyterian Church, 1917. 8 pp.

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Session Records, 1867-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Leslie Denelsbeck, Clerk, 4 Georgetown Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1867-- , 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records are only kept currently. Financial Records, 1934-- , 1 vol., in custody of Miss Evelyn Daughty, Treasurer, University Boulevard.

Record of deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. H 5, p. 17; vol. 136, p. 110; vol. 137, p. 596; vol. 237, p. 246.

194. BUNKER HILL CHURCH, 1868-- . Hurffville and Cross Keys Roads, Bunker Hill, R. F. D., Sewell, Gloucester County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1868. Services were held in the schoolhouse, the use of which was donated by the school district from 1868 until the following year when the present church was donated by Mr. James McClure.

The church is a one story frame structure of meeting house architecture, with cathedral memorial windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. George Warrington, the first pastor served this church from 1871 to 1872. The present pastor is Rev. Alexander Laird, Glassboro.

Laird, Alexander, Fiftieth Anniversary of the Bunker Hill Presbyterian Church, 1869-1919. Bunker Hill, Presbyterian Church, 1919. 16 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, and Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1869-- , 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939-- , 1 vol., in custody of Miss Naomi Richards, Secretary, Egg Harbor Road, Sewell. Financial Records, 1892-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Sarah Locke, Treasurer, Hurffville-Cross Keys Road, Sewell.

Record of incorporation and deed: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 28; Deeds, vol. 63, p. 160.

195. PLEASANTVILLE CHURCH, 1868-- . Madison and Washington Avenues, Pleasantville, Atlantic County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1868 as a mission at Somer's Point and a small frame chapel was erected there the same year. As most of the members were residing in Pleasantville, it was decided to move the chapel building to the site of the present church in 1886.

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Several plots were purchased and one was donated by Mr. Silas Lake. During the period of moving, services were held at Potter's Hardware Store at Main Street and Washington Avenue. A new church building was started in 1901, and dedicated the following year. This organization reincorporated in 1906.

The present church is a one story frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a steeple, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the church. The manse at 22 East Washington Avenue adjoins the church.

Rev. E. Morris Ferguson, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was the first pastor, serving this church from 1886 to 1887. The present pastor is Rev. Thomas M. Simanton, 22 East Washington Avenue.

History of Pleasantville Presbyterian Church. Ms. In Historical Room, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Session Records, 1868--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records (contain Financial Records prior to 1910), 1887--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Louis Lake, Secretary, Lake Place. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1886--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Louis Lake, Superintendent. Men's Bible Class Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Clarence Naylor, Secretary, 22 Plaza Place. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Neil Campbell, Secretary, Franklin and Adams Avenues. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Clarence Naylor, Secretary. Financial Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Floyd B. Smith, Treasurer, 10 North Second Street.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. A, p. 310; vol. 3, p. 470; Deeds, vol. R, p. 715; vol. 106, p. 18; vol. 113, pp. 197-199; vol. 112, p. 317.

196. WEST CHURCH, 1869--. Giles and West Commerce Streets, Bridgeton, Cumberland County.

In the early part of 1869, the necessity for a Presbyterian church in the west side of town was openly expressed and a movement was started for the organization of a new church. Approximately 113 members of the First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton (entry 168) and several members of the Second Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton (entry 173), who resided in the west side, organized and incorporated the West Presbyterian Church in 1869. Preliminary meetings and services were conducted in the Old Broad Street Presbyterian Church (entry 168) until the erection of their first church. The present site was purchased in 1869,

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and a chapel was built the same year. Services were conducted in this chapel until 1878, when their present church was completed and dedicated. The chapel is connected to the church by a vestibule.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. This church is said to be a replica of an old church in England. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel.

Rev. Leonidas E. Coyle was the first pastor, serving this church from 1870 to 1883. The present pastor is Rev. John Woodside Hutchinson, who resides in the manse adjoining the church, which was erected in 1884.

Certificate of Transfer of 113 Persons from First Bridgeton to West Bridgeton Church. Signed by C. R. Gregory, Clerk of Sessions, 1869. Ms. 3 pp.

Cushing, Thomas and Charles Sheppard, History of Salem, Gloucester, and Cumberland Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 102.

Kirby, William A., A Souvenir of Bridgeton, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, p. 956.

Session Records, 1878--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Chester Bonham, Clerk, Burnt Mill Road. Trustee Records, 1878--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John Diamant, Secretary, 143 Broad Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1878--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Chester Bonham, Secretary. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. W. Leslie Cornwall, Secretary, 91 Oak Street. Financial Records, 1878--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edgar Tice, Treasurer, 95 Lake Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. G, p. 499; Deeds, vol. 118, p. 172; vol. 121, p. 242.

197. FIRST CHURCH, 1871--. Kings Highway E. and Chestnut Street, Haddonfield, Camden County.

Preliminary services were held as early as 1858, in Jacob Fowler's Hall, on the corner of Haddonfield Pike and Kings Highway, and continued periodically under the direction of Rev. Daniel Stewart, Rev. Samuel J. Baird, and Rev. Frank D. Harris. A small group of about twenty persons desired to organize a church in their town, and asked

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permission of the Presbytery at Salem to do so. This was granted and a church was organized in 1871, and incorporated in 1873. Property was purchased by the congregation from Mr. Benjamin McKinley of Haddonfield, May 1, 1873; and on June 3rd, work was begun, and the corner stone was laid July 12th of the same year. Progress was slow due to the panic of 1873, and it was not until November, 1874, that the main auditorium was finished. Dedication services were held August 15, 1882.

In 1905, Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Moore expressed their desire to build a new church as a memorial to their deceased son, Gilbert Henry Moore, and donated land adjoining the church. At a meeting of the church officials, plans and specifications were presented with a stipulation by Mr. Moore that the church raise enough money to erect a manse of the same material used in the construction of the church.

As early as the weather permitted in the spring of 1905, the erection of the second church was begun on a plot of ground adjacent to the original church. The church was completed and dedicated January 21, 1908. Shortly before completion of this new church the original one was demolished.

The present church is a grey granite structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School and manse of granite construction are adjacent to the church; the manse is on the site of the original church. Churches at Collingswood, Barrington, and Haddon Heights, Woodcrest, Somerdale, and Ashland (entries 222, 223, 235, 236, 224), were started and assisted by this church.

Rev. Edwin Newberry, a graduate of Princeton University, served this church from 1873 to 1879. Pastor Emeritus is Rev. Robert Hugh Morris, 26 Kings Highway. The Acting Pastor is Rev. Carl S. Fisher, Haddonfield.

Morris, Robert Hugh, The Sixtieth Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church, Haddonfield. Haddonfield, Victor Clymer, 1931. 6 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records and Financial Records), 1871--, 8 vols., in custody of Mr. Howard B. Hemphill, Clerk of Sessions, 329 Hawthorne Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1871--, 2 file drawers, in custody of Mr. William Henry, Church Historian, 417 Warwick Road. Sunday School Records, 1871--, 2 file drawers, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Morse Garwood, Secretary, 209 Redman Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1885--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. William G. Moore, Secretary, 257 Kings Highway E. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Margaret Johnson, Secretary, 111 W. Summit Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 62; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 76, p. 177; vol. 325, p. 122; vol. 686, p. 117.

198. FIRST CHURCH, 1871-1927. Extinct. Main Road and Johns Street, Jericho Heights, Gloucester County.

Preliminary meetings were held at Mr. John Watson's residence from 1871 to 1875. In 1873, Mr. Watson donated a plot of ground for the erection of the present church. The erection was started in 1874, and the church was completed and dedicated in 1875. In the year 1927, this church became defunct and remained closed until 1938, at which time the West Jersey Presbytery sold the church to the Seventh Day Adventists.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a tower, bell, and plain windows.

Session Records, 1920 - 27, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John B. Gratton, Secretary, Sewell, R. F. D. Sunday School Records, 1920-27, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John B. Gratton, Secretary.

Record of deed: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. X 5, p. 23.

199. FIRST CHURCH, 1872--. Center Street and Maple Avenue, Merchantville, Camden County.

In the fall of 1870, a group of persons of the Presbyterian denomination met at the home of Mr. John Peace in Merchantville. Plans were formed for a permanent place of worship. A committee was appointed, which engaged the Merchantville Hall, sometimes called Jater Company Hall. Rev. B. D. Reed of the First Church, Camden (entry 174) and Rev. L. C. Baker of the Second Church, Camden (entry 188) supplied the preaching for a few months. On November 7, 1871, at a meeting of the West Jersey Presbytery, Prof. Thompson applied for church organization. Permission was granted and a committee appointed to organize the church. Incorporation ensued the same year. On March 14, 1872, the first meeting was held under the name of the First Presbytery Church of Merchantville. In October 1875, erection of the church started and it was completed and dedicated June 11, 1876, on the site donated by the Bennett family.

On June 6, 1889, a manse adjoining the church was purchased. Additional property adjacent to the manse was purchased to prevent the erection of undesirable buildings. A new chapel room was added and

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dedicated June 14, 1925. Plans are being made to erect a stone church to match the Sunday School building but no date has been set for this undertaking.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, chimes, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Nathaniel Upham was the first pastor, serving from 1874 to 1882. The present pastor is Rev. E. Lansing Bennett, 10 Maple Avenue.

Manual of the First Presbyterian Church of Merchantville, N. J. 1902. Prepared by Rev. J. Meuch Chambers and Members of the Session. 46 pp.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1872--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George W. Cole, Clerk, 6547 Rudderow Avenue. Trustee Records, 1872--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Herbert W. Heal, Secretary, 6545 Irving Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1927--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Carl Carruth, Superintendent, 48 Cedar Street. Financial Records, 1918--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 1, p. 74; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 81, p. 450; vol. 143, p. 393; vol. 503, p. 275; vol. 514, p. 154; vol. 548, p. 474.

200. MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1873--. Mantau and Princeton Avenues, Wenonah, Gloucester County.

Conscious of the need of religious services, the few families who settled here in the summer of 1872, met to discuss the problem. It was the concensus of opinion that Presbyterian affiliation gave the greatest promise of success. On that premise, a Sunday School was organized on September 15, 1872, in the store of Dr. Garrison, on West Jersey Avenue (now West Avenue). The following year as a result of the rapid growth in both numbers and religious zeal, the first church was built on North Clinton Avenue in 1873. Due to the generosity of Dr. Thomas W. Synott, a new church was erected on Mantau Avenue in 1903. In memory of the mother of the donor, the name was changed to the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Wenonah and incorporated as such on December 19, 1903; dedication took place June 26, 1904.

The church is a greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School and minister's study is part of the church proper, while the manse is a large stone dwelling erected in 1905, on part of the church lot.

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Rev. J. Howard O'Brien, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, was the first pastor, serving this church from 1873 to 1883. The present pastor is Rev. Melvin R. Campbell, Wenonah.

Cushing, Thomas and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salom, and Cumberland Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 200.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1872--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Webster E. Morrow, Clerk, 203 North Clinton Avenue. Trustee Records, 1873--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Thomas A. Carlson, Secretary, Maple Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward Carlson, Secretary, Maple Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Robert Mason, Secretary, Woodbury. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Teacher, Secretary, Willow Street. Financial Records, 1920--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Webster E. Morrow, Clerk.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. 2, p. 245; vol. 1, p. 344; Deeds, vol. 156, p. 12; vol. 195, p. 241.

201. GERMAN CHURCH, 1876--. 1316 Pacific Avenue, Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

The organization of this church reverts to the year 1876, when some of the german speaking people met in different cottages to hear the Gospel in their native tongue. They tried to influence the Lutheran Synod in Philadelphia to help them erect a church in Atlantic City, but the Lutheran Synod saw no necessity of establishing a German Lutheran Church in that city. Soon after this Rev. Allen H. Brown, the founder of many Presbyterian churches in South Jersey, hear of the plight of these Germans, went to their assistance and brought them into the fold of the West Jersey Presbytery.

Early services were conducted in the First Presbyterian Church (entry 185), located at the corner of Pennsylvania and Pacific Avenues. The congregation incorporated in 1882. These services continued here until 1884, at which time a site was acquired from Mr. John Lippincott, and the present church was erected and dedicated. In 1896, the church was raised 12 feet and a brick foundation and wall was inset, giving space for special functions, such as Sunday School and recreation purposes.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for

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religious instruction in a room in the basement of the church proper. The manse at 1314 Pacific Avenue was erected in 1884.

Rev. Arnold W. Frisner, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1882 to 1885. The present pastor is Rev. John William Kliefken, who resides in the manse adjacent to the church at 1314 Pacific Avenue.

Mellen, Henry Merle, A Resort Church. Atlantic City, Brooks and Idler Co., 1936. 28 pp.

Session Records, 1882-1922, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records (include Session Records, 1922--; Sunday School Records, 1885-1918, and Financial Records), 1884--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Emma Kliefken, Secretary, 1314 Pacific Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Membership, and Deaths, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Emma Kliefken, Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deed: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 3, p. 162; Deeds, vol. 97, p. 195.

202. FIRST CHURCH, 1879--. Front and Chestnut Streets, Elmer, Salem County.

A desire was expressed by residents in Elmer and the vicinity for Presbyterian services to be held there and with a view to the establishment of a church of that denomination. Rev. William A. Ferguson of Pittsgrove Church, Daretown (entry 165), was induced to hold services in Reed's Hall beginning about the first of July, 1879. To test the advisability of an attempt to organize a Presbyterian church, it was decided to start a Sabbath School and on the last Sabbath of July, under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Ferguson, a Sabbath School was organized, and because it was well attended, those who had the matter in charge, felt so much encouraged that it was determined to petition the Presbytery of West Jersey to organize a Presbyterian church in Elmer.

A committee of four was appointed to attend the meeting of the Presbytery to be held at Woodstown to present the petition for the organization of a church and to urge the matter as much as possible. Considerable time was spent in hearing the applicants for a church, and after a free interchange of opinions of members of the committee, the motion was put to a vote and carried. Sixteen persons then signified their willingness to agree and covenant together, according to the acknowledged doctrines and order of the Presbyterian Church. The first church was completed and dedicated June 1, 1890, on property purchased from Mr. William Keen and wife. Incorporation took place in 1891.

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On February 18, 1906, the Mite Society offered to purchase an individual communion service for the church. The session accepted their gracious offer and on March 4, 1906, the individual service was used for the first time when 82 persons partook of the communion. On Sunday, May 27, 1923, the last service was held in the old church, and from that time until the new church was erected, services were held in Mr. S. H. Wright's garage. On April 13, 1924, the present church was completed and on April 15, of the same year it was dedicated and reincorporated.

The old manse on Second Street was sold and a new manse adjoining the new church was erected in 1925. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement.

Rev. William A. Ferguson was the first pastor, serving this church from 1879 to 1881. The present pastor is Rev. James Howell, Lock Box 14, Elmer.

Fiftieth Anniversary Souvenir and Directory, Elmer, Times Print Shop, 1929, pp. 9,10.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Financial Records), 1879--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1885--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold Bostwick, Secretary, 330 Center Street. Sunday School Records, 1928--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Alanson W. Stockbine, Secretary, South Main Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ellenor Gladys Jones, Secretary, R. F. D. #1.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Salem County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. D, p. 620; vol. 54, p. 466; Deeds, vol. 70, p. 224; vol. 155, p. 447.

203. FIRST CHURCH, 1885--. Beacon Avenue and Quincy Street, Paulsboro (formerly Billingsport), Gloucester County.

In the spring of 1868, a Union School was organized in a Billingsport (now Paulsboro) boathouse owned by Mr. E. Gibbs, Mr. Allen Dick, Miss Mary L. Dick, and Mrs. Downey. In October, 1873, a small house of worship was erected on a site which was given by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Dick. The congregation petitioned the Presbytery of West Jersey in 1874, for ministerial services and a church organization. This request was not granted and the enterprise became an Out Station of the Wenonah Presbyterian Church (entry 200) until 1895, when the congregation organized as the Billingsport Presbyterian Church. In 1924, they incorporated as the First Church of Paulsboro at which time the site of the church was sold. During construction of the present house of worship which was erected and dedicated in 1925, on the present site purchased

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from Billingsport and Paulsboro Improvement Company in 1924, the congregation held services in a rented building.

The church is a stuccoed structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday school classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. John Howard O'Brien, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this congregation from 1885 to 1915. The present pastor is Rev. J. Stockton Roddy, 613 Greenwich Avenue.

Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939, Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church, 1939, pp. 86,87.

Session Records, 1882--, 2 vols.; 1882-1929, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. J. Stockton Roddy, Custodian, Broad Street; 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Clark, Clerk, Madison and Delaware Streets. Trustee Records, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Roddy, Custodian. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1882--, 2 vols.; 1882-1929, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Clark, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1891--, 8 vols., in custody of Messrs. Edward and Donald Carter, Joint Secretaries, 28 Buck Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. John Du Bois, Secretary, Pitman. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Wingate, Custodian, Paulsboro. Ladies' Aid Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles Burroughs, Custodian, 444 Sheridan Avenue. Financial Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John M. Wintage, Secretary, 129 Brentwood Avenue, Pitman.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 3, p. 79; Deeds, vol. 314, p. 514; vol. 337, pp. 537-540.

204. BEADLE MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1886--. Pearl Avenue, Cape May Point, Cape May County.

The congregation comprised of summer residents organized this church in 1886, and the church was erected and dedicated that year. Services are held only during the summer months of July and August. Two pastors are sent each summer season to conduct services by the Presbytery which contributes half of the expense, the church taking care of the balance.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School meets in the Union Chapel on Cape Avenue, which is also used by other denominations.

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Session Records, 1886--., 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1886--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. James Leaper, Clerk and Treasurer, 35 Sellers Avenue, Milbourne, Pennsylvania.

205. FIRST CHURCH, 1886--. Stanton Avenue, Janvier, Franklinville, Gloucester County.

Preliminary meetings were held in 1886, in a small weaving shop, which was rented on Stanton Avenue. These meetings continued until the latter part of 1886, when the membership was showing such rapid growth that it was decided to build a small church. A plot of ground was donated by Miss Mary F. Janvier of Bridgeton and the church was organized, erected, and dedicated in the same year. Through the efforts of all the members, donations were solicited, subscriptions were taken up, and entertainments were given, until the purchase price was thus effected. Today this church is clear of all debt, and services are held regularly.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Harry L. Janeway was the first pastor, serving this church from 1886 to 1895. The present pastor is Rev. C. W. Clapp, South Main Street, Williamstown.

Session Records, 1886--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William McIntyre, Clerk, Sheridan Avenue. Trustee Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1886--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Sarah McIntyre, Secretary, Stanton Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1936--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Olsen, Superintendent, Stanton Avenue. Financial Records, 1900--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Sarah McIntyre, Treasurer.

206. THIRD CHURCH, 1888-1893, 1905--. 1423 Broadway, Camden, Camden County.

A group of about twenty persons, members of the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 188), were given permission to found a mission in their neighborhood. The first services were held in a one story building at Broadway and Atlantic Street, which was rented. In 1887, services were held in the Second Church, and, in the early part of 1888, in the Fire Hall on Kaighn Avenue where organization and dedication services took place the same year. The congregation incorporated in 1889. The membership increased and the congregation agreed that they could support their own church. Funds were solicited, contributions were made, and in 1893, the present site opposite their first meeting place was purchased and a church erected during August of that year.

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In November of 1893, the church ceased to function due to disagreements between two factions, and it was not until 1905, through the efforts of the Rev. William P. Blair, that the members again united for services. Reincorporation took place in 1906. Rev. Mr. Blair offered his services free, in his effort to bring the congregation together. The membership grew to a substantial number and it was agreed to pay Rev. Mr. Blair a salary in order to keep him with them as long as possible.

The present church is a one and half story structure of meeting house architecture, with Tudor tower and plain windows, and was erected on the same site in 1909. The rear of the church is a portion of the old church which has cathedral windows. The basement is used by Sunday School Classes.

Rev. Clark Boyd, a graduate of Princeton University, served this church from 1888 to 1889. The present pastor is Rev. William Patterson Blair, 1432 Belleview Avenue.

Session Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Raymond Blattenberger, Clerk, 1416 Belleview Avenue. Trustee Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. McGregor Scott, Secretary, 11 Maple Lane, Collingswood. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Raymond Blattenberger, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Wright, Secretary, Arlington Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1907--, 2 vols.; 1907-23, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Emma Martin, Secretary, 144 Maple Avenue; 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. James McCabe, Custodian, 8884 Penn Street. Financial Records, 1905--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Wilbur Blair, Treasurer, 1432 Belleview Avenue.

Record of incorporations and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 3, p. 574; vol. 30, p. 446; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 184, p. 541.

207. FOURTH CHURCH, 1889-1900. Extinct. South Pearl Street, Bridgeton, Cumberland County.

Church began in 1888, when, one Sunday morning, Mrs. Mary S. Fithian met a group of small boys intent on play or mischief, and gained their promises to meet her that afternoon for Sunday School exercises. They kept their promise and the Sunday School grew rapidly. A lot was purchased on South Pearl Street for five hundred dollars in 1889, and a structure called the Pearl Street Mission was erected. In 1892, a committee of the Presbytery of West Jersey met with the members of the mission and organized a church with 17 members. The church incorporated in 1896. Due to financial problems, it was discontinued in 1900, but

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Mrs. Fithian conducted Sunday School classes there. In 1915, it was incorporated as the "Mary S. Fithian Night School and Academy". It was discontinued in 1920, when the Board of Education started night classes there. Upon the death of Mrs. Fithian in 1932, the building was left to the Presbytery of West Jersey and used as a Sunday School, for as long as it should be needed. It was named "Mary S. Fithian Memorial Chapel". At present, Sunday School classes are held here, and the building is rented to the Salvation Army for their services during the week.

The church is a two story frame structure with a red brick front of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Henry Reeves was the first pastor, serving this church from 1891 to 1895.

A Historical Sketch of Pearl Street Mission and Fourth Presbyterian Church, Bridgeton, N. J. Bridgeton, Building Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Fourth Presbyterian Church, 1889. 11 pp.

Cushing, Thomas and Charles Sheppard, History of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland Counties, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Everts and Pock, 1883, p. 957.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. B, p. 128; Deeds, vol. 235, p. 558; vol. 320, p. 454.

208. FOURTH CHURCH, 1889--. Atlantic Avenue and Louis Street, Camden, Camden County.

Prior to 1887, a small group of people, mostly of German descent, held services in Liberty Hall, Liberty Park, now a part of Camden. During the spring of 1887, a missionary from the West Jersey Presbytery conducted these services, hoping to organize a church in this vicinity. The Williamson family, who lived at the corner of Atlantic Avenue and Louis Street, were very active in this movement, and services were held in their home from 1888 until 1889. A site was purchased from Mrs. Annie Williamson, who donated her home for a manse in 1887. Early services were conducted in German until formal organization of the church. The first recorded service, held at the home of Mr. Adam Hartmeyer, marked the organization of the church, incorporated as "The German Presbyterian Church at Liberty Park, Camden", March 20, 1889. The first service of the new organization was held February 21, 1889, at the home of Mr. William Schliepbroke of Liberty Park.

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The first church was erected from funds subscribed by the congregation. The church was completed in 1889, and dedicated the same year. A special meeting was held February 7, 1906, to vote on a new name for the church. As a result the name was changed to the Fourth Presbyterian Church and was reincorporated as such, February 26, 1906.

The present church erected in 1909 is a one and a half story structure of meeting house architecture, with a Tudor tower, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School rooms for primary and junior classes are separated by folding doors. The basement has a large Sunday School room for adults.

Rev. William Schullgass served this church from 1889 to 1890. The church has been supplied by student pastors, since the death of Rev. William A. Williamson in 1938. The manse is occupied by his widow.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1889-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Wesley H. Handwegg, Clerk, 125 West Park Avenue, Oaklyn. Trustee Records, 1898-- , 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry A. Trout, President, 8 Eleventh Avenue, Haddon Heights. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1940-- , 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ella Bantle, Treasurer, 627 Vine Street. Financial Records, 1898-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Elmer Mathis, Treasurer, 1024 Spruce Street.

Record of incorporations and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 4, p. 206; vol. 30, p. 590; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 150, p. 576.

209. GRACE CHURCH, 1889-- , 27th Street and Garfield Avenue, Camden, Camden County.

Preliminary services were held and Sunday School instruction given in the residences of various members. Guided by the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 188), arrangements were made by that church to obtain property for the erection of a chapel for Grace Church. This was accomplished in 1890, the deed being in the name of the Second Church. A chapel was erected and dedicated in 1894. Funds raised by subscriptions and donations from members purchased materials used in the building of the chapel. Additional adjoining property was purchased by the Second Church in 1891, for a proposed building but was later sold for private residences. Grace Church prospered and the property was purchased from the Second Church in 1894. They incorporated the same year.

The present church is a one story frame structure of meeting house architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church. The manse rented by the pastor is located at 758 North 27th Street.

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Rev. Edward Hill, the first pastor, served this church from 1894 to 1901. The present pastor is Rev. Samuel Warren, 758 North 27th Street.

Boyd, William, Fifty Years After, Second Church, Camden, N. J. Philadelphia, Franklin Printing Company, 1890. 52 pp.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1890--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Theodore Warner, Clerk, 2716 High Street. Trustee Records, 1890--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Meyers, Secretary, Camden. Sunday School Records, 1890--, 3 vols., 2 file boxes, in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1919--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Anne T. Hanze, Treasurer, 732 North 27th Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1919--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Davis Cassidy, Secretary, 2750 Arthur Avenue. Financial Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Elwood Snyder, Treasurer, 2963 Polk Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 7, p. 222; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 201, p. 331.

210. IRVING AVENUE CHURCH, 1892--. Manheim and Irving Avenues, Bridgeton, Cumberland County.

Preliminary Sunday School meetings were held in the basement of the canning house on Irving Avenue. They organized in 1892, and prayer meetings were held in private homes. At this time, the present site was purchased from Mr. Charles S. Fithian, and the present church was completed and dedicated in 1894. The erection of this church was made possible by the generosity of the First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton (entry 168). The congregation incorporated in 1899. The manse at 357 Irving Avenue was purchased from Mr. Sherman S. Sharp in 1904. The church was remodeled in 1923.

The church is a two story frame structure of meeting house architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Albert Reid served this church from 1895 to 1898. The present pastor is Rev. John T. Hackett, 357 Irving Avenue.

Emerick, Irving Potter, Manual and Directory of the Irving Avenue Presbyterian Church. Bridgeton, Irving Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1905. 18 pp.

Mayhew, Thomas, A Brief History of the Irving Avenue Presbyterian Church. Bridgeton, Irving Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1914. 10 pp.

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Petition by a small congregation to organize a church on Irving Avenue. Bridgeton, 1893. Ms. 4 pp.

Session Records, 1894--., 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1894--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Elmer Price, Secretary, 37 Manheim Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1894--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1894--., 2 vols., in custody of Miss Helen Cheesman, Secretary, 430 Irving Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1920--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles Timberman, Secretary and Treasurer, 433 Irving Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1894--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. John T. Hackett, Secretary, 357 Irving Avenue. Financial Records, 1894--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Howard White, Treasurer, 421 Irving Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. B, p. 290; Deeds, vol. 222, p. 379; vol. 272, p. 128.

211. WELLS' MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1892--. 9th Street, between 1st and 2nd Avenues, Avalon, Cape May County.

Organized by summer residents in 1892. This church holds summer services only. Most of the members live in and around Philadelphia. Property was acquired from Mr. Morris H. Stratton, by the Synod of New Jersey in 1893, and again in 1904, each time for a small consideration. Property on which the manse is built was secured from the Avalon Development Company on the same terms and purchased by the Presbytery of West Jersey. The corner stone was laid in 1892; the church was completed and dedicated the same year. Being a summer church it has no local Board members, and services are conducted by visiting pastors during the summer only.

The church is a frame and stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse adjoining the church was erected about 1908.

Session Records, 1939--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Haggerty, Secretary, 37th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenues. Financial Records, 1892--., 1 vol., in custody of Dr. Torrence Rugh, Treasurer, 325 Cynwyd Avenue, Cynwyd, Pennsylvania.

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212. LOGAN MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1893--. White Horse Pike and Merchant Street, Audubon, Camden County.

The origin of this church dates back to 1893, when Messrs. William P. and John Logan erected a chapel at the corner of Merchant Street and White Horse Pike. A site for this purpose was donated by the Audubon Land Company. It was desired that services be conducted in the faith of some Evangelical denomination and preference was given to that of the Presbyterian. In the early fall of 1893, the first services were held by Rev. J. Logan Sample, who also conducted a Sabbath School during the fall and winter. In April, 1894, the Sabbath School of the Haddonfield Church became interested in the work, and assisted financially and otherwise.

In September, 1894, Mr. William Henry, Sr., of Haddonfield, undertook the supervision of the Sunday School, which had become somewhat disorganized. Mr. Trull supplied the pulpit during the summer of 1896, and due in great part to his earnest efforts, the church was organized and incorporated on July 13, 1896, with 26 members. In appreciation of the pioneer work and continued assistance by the Logans, the name Logan Memorial Presbyterian Church was officially decided upon at the dedication in 1896.

The Audubon Land Company again donated land to permit the building of a manse at 18 West Merchant Street. The church had a steady and continuous growth until it became necessary to erect a larger church to accommodate the increasing congregation and Sunday School. Ground was broken for the new church on May 3, 1925. The corner stone was laid on July 12, 1925. The new church was dedicated in a series of special services beginning Sunday, December 13, 1925, and continuing each evening until Friday, December 18.

Through a generous bequest of Mr. J. W. Simkins, the indebtedness which had been incurred through erection of the new building was entirely liquidated.

The church is a Foxcroft stone structure of Tudor-Gothic architecture, with flying buttresses, and cathedral memorial windows.

Rev. Hugh B. McCrone, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1898 to 1900. The present pastor is Rev. Albert E. Gregg, 18 West Merchant Street.

Session Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward Cockroft, Clerk, 1234 S. 58th Street, Philadelphia. Trustee Records, 1893--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James D. Pitts, Secretary, 309 Cedarcroft Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1893--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1893--,

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2 vols., in custody of Mr. Nathan Blankley, Secretary, 49 North LeCato Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1893--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. William L. Wright, Treasurer, 512 White Horse Pike. Missionary Society Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George B. Bryson, Secretary, 339 Washington Avenue. Financial Records, 1893--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Cockroft, Clerk.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 375; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 275, p. 216; vol. 286, pp. 22-28.

213. CALVARY CHURCH, 1895-1924. Merged. 2nd and Pearl Streets, Camden, Camden County.

Preliminary services were held in the residences of a small group, who had separated from the First Church (entry 174) in 1895, and with the consent of that church formed a new organization in their particular neighborhood. The group organized and incorporated June 6, 1895. Property was purchased from the North Baptist Church July 29, 1895. After maintaining a separate organization for nearly twenty-nine years, they merged with the First Church in June, 1924.

This church was a two and a half story frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows, erected by the Baptists in 1866, and dedicated by the congregation after purchase in 1895. Since 1924, this church has been rented periodically by other denominations for revival meetings.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Financial Records, to 1895), 1895-1924, 2 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1895-1924, 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1895-1924, 1 vol., in custody of the First Church of Camden (entry 174).

Record of incorporation and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 8, p. 227; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 207, p. 439.

214. FIRST CHURCH, 1896--. Burke and Pacific Avenues, Wildwood, Cape May County.

As early as 1884, the Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey, interested in establishing a church in Wildwood, purchased land from the Holly Beach Improvement Company, which they sold to the Presbytery of West Jersey in 1891. This was subsequently sold to this organization and used as the site of the present church.

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It was not until 1896, that a church organization was effected in Wildwood by a Committee from the Presbytery, with Rev. Allen H. Brown as moderator and twelve charter members. The congregation incorporated as the First Church of Holly Beach in 1898, at which time a house of worship was erected on the present site which was purchased from the West Jersey Presbytery. The name was changed to the First Church of Wildwood in 1920, and the manse at 4511 Pacific Avenue was erected the same year on a site adjoining the church, purchased from Elsie E. and Carl W. Mayer in 1914.

The church is a plain two story frame structure, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted on the first floor of the church proper.

Rev. William H. Dodd was the first pastor. The present pastor is Rev. Caleb L. Pancoast, 4511 Pacific Avenue.

Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939. Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton, 1939, pp. 96,97.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1896--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Frederick B. Toxell, Clerk, 132 East Davis Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1896--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Gladys Crawford, Secretary, 112 E. Juniper Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. C. L. Pancoast, Custodian, 4511 Pacific Avenue. Home and Foreign Missionary Society Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jean Esenwein, Secretary, 214 East Sixteenth Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Glenn Dye, Secretary, 5204 Arctic Avenue. Financial Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles E. Smith, Treasurer, 117 East Lavendar Road.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Cape May County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 301; vol. 144, p. 229; Deeds, vol. 65, p. 245; vol. 100, p. 207; vol. 144, p. 229; vol. 308, p. 51.

215. FIRST CHURCH OF CAPE MAY, 1896--. 7th Street and Wesley Avenue, Ocean City, Cape May County.

First services were held in the Illinois House at 926 Wesley Avenue in 1896. Later services were held in the auditorium of the public school on Central Avenue near 9th Street, and in Stite's Hall on Asbury Avenue. Property was purchased at 6th Street and Ocean Avenue and a frame chapel erected in 1897. The congregation incorporated the same year. This chapel was moved to Wesley Avenue and 9th Street and again from there to 7th Street and Wesley Avenue. A new church was erected and dedicated in 1907, at 7th Street and Wesley Avenue, the old

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chapel having been moved to 7th Street and Haven Avenue, and sold to a Negro congregation.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows. This church had the first pipe organ in Ocean City. In 1920, the interior of the church was remodeled. In 1925, lightning struck the church and damaged the steeple. Repairs were made and several changes made in the exterior of the building. The manse purchased from John R. and Edith M. Grove is located at 610 - 7th Street.

Rev. John Oxford Higgins, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, served this church from 1897 to 1898. The present pastor is Rev. George Fischer, 610 - 7th Street.

Basserman, Curtis O., Anniversary Sermon. Ocean City, First Presbyterian Church, 1930. 4 pp.

Shields, E. P., Historical Sermon, 1851-1876. Ocean City, First Presbyterian Church, 1876. 4 pp.

Snyder, Reuben, Sketch on the Twenty-fifth Anniversary, in Sunday Bulletin of the Church Calendar. Ocean City, First Presbyterian Church, 1921. 8 pp.

Session Records, 1896--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Rauck, Clerk, 1537 Central Avenue. Trustee Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Howard B. Hazard, Secretary, 724 Asbury Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1897--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. W. Ward, Secretary, Asbury Avenue. Financial Records, 1896--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Linwood Mintzer, Treasurer, 853 Park Place.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Cape May County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 287; Deeds, vol. 148, p. 197; vol. 198, p. 473; vol. 223, p. 484; vol. 279, p. 513; vol. 308, pp. 154, 219, 300.

216. OLIVET CHURCH, 1896--. 1400 Pacific Avenue, Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of West Jersey held in Hammonton in 1896, a petition was submitted by certain members of the First Presbyterian Church of Atlantic City (entry 185) for the members. A committee was appointed by the Presbytery to make a careful survey of the situation and report accordingly. After due consideration it was resolved to allow the organization of a new church.

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The first meeting at which the organization took place was held in the Porter Cottage on Pennsylvania Avenue in 1896. During the years of 1896-97, services were held in the Academy of Music on the Boardwalk near New York Avenue; Odd Fellow's Hall on New York Avenue, and in the First German Presbyterian Church, Atlantic City (entry 201). The present church site was purchased in 1896, from the Bergdoll Estate, at which time the congregation incorporated, and the present church was completed and dedicated in 1898.

The church is a rough greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in a room of the church.

Rev. Frank J. Mundy, a graduate of Rutgers University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1896 to 1902. The present pastor is Rev. Harrold G. Gaunt, 18 South Jackson Avenue, Ventnor City.

Cadwell, Newton W., 25th Anniversary Bulletin. Atlantic City, Shaner and Knaver Company, 1923. 25 pp.

Session Records, 1896--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records, 1896--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Jules X. Dasen, Clerk, 3 North Sacramento Avenue, Ventnor City. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Funerals, 1896--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Isabelle Kirber, Secretary, 137 South Massachusetts Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1921--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Mabel Kirk, Secretary, 4301 Atlantic Avenue. Financial Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Wayne W. Leyrer, Treasurer, 31 East Drive, Marvin Gardens, Atlantic City.

Record of incorporation and deed: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 1, p. 205; Deeds, vol. 212, p. 130.

217. FIRST CHURCH, 1897--. Fourth and Elm Streets, Woodbury Heights, Gloucester County.

The first religious meeting was held in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Mayhew in 1896, and subsequent meetings were held in other residences. Preliminary services for this group were held in Borough Hall in 1897, the organization then being known as the Union Sunday School. In 1910, steps were taken toward the organization of a church and a petition was sent to the West Jersey Presbytery. The actual organization and incorporation was effected in 1910. Ground was broken for the proposed church in 1911, on a site donated by Mr. John Mayhew. The new church was erected and dedicated in 1912. At this time a fund for a manse was started, and in 1916, the trustees authorized the purchase of the manse from Mrs. John Mayhew.

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The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. George J. Becker was the first pastor, serving this church from 1913 to 1915. The present pastor is Rev. Charles B. Almond, Woodbury Heights.

Almond, Charles B., A Short History of the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbury Heights, New Jersey, 1937. 4 pp.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1910--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Queale, Clerk, Poplar Avenue. Trustee Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. David Davies, Secretary, West Jersey Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Helen Martin, Secretary, Woodland Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Norman McCue, Secretary, Elm Avenue. Financial Records, 1937--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 71; Deeds, vol. 230, p. 234; vol. 258, p. 156.

218. WOODLAND AVENUE CHURCH, 1897--. Eighth and Woodland Avenues, Camden, Camden County.

This church was organized as a mission of the Calvary Presbyterian (entry 213), and was originally called Calvary Chapel. At first this group had only Sunday School classes and no church services. In 1899, the congregation was able to secure a building on Woodland Avenue above Seventh Street. This soon became too small for the rapidly increasing membership and two class rooms were built on the side. The only cost for the addition was the lumber, as members of the congregation did the work themselves. In 1905, the congregation incorporated and the present site was purchased at Eighth and Woodland Avenues. Ground was broken for the new building on Saturday, July 30, 1927. The cornerstone was laid September 8, 1927.

The church is a one story red brick building of modified Gothic architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

Rev. Frank Werner served this church from 1905 to 1906. The present pastor is Rev. Charles Evers, 829 Morgan Avenue.

Session Records, 1903--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1903--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1903--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Alexander Homer,

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Superintendent, 901 Tulip Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1904-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Herman Lynd, Secretary, 2843 North Constitution Road. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1920-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. J. A. Springer, Secretary, 2973 North Congress Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1909-- , 3 vols., in custody of Miss Charlotte Eisenhardt, Secretary, 2414 South Eighth Street. Financial Records, 1903-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Oliver C. Benson, Treasurer, 850 Morgan Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 28, p. 229; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 482, p. 492; vol. 373, p. 127; vol. 482, p. 494; vol. 307, p. 481.

219. WESTMINSTER CHURCH 1898--. Madison and Vermont Avenues, Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

The Westminster Church originally organized as a mission in 1898. The early meetings were held in the home of Dr. Clarence Garrabrant at 135 North Vermont Avenue, and at the residence of Mrs. Josephine Mathis, 101 Madison Avenue. In 1900, the mission moved into an abandoned laundry building, the site of the present church. The congregation incorporated in 1901, at which time property was purchased from Mrs. Ella Marsden and the present church was erected, but not completed and dedicated until 1902. The manse at 239 Metropolitan Avenue was purchased in 1902, from Mr. George F. Currie. In 1923, the church was raised on the foundation to provide space for recreational and Sunday School purposes; yet services continued without interference.

The church is a frame and brick structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes receive religious instruction in the basement of the church.

Rev. John McMillan, a graduate of Magee College, Londonderry, Ireland, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1900 to 1921. He was recalled in 1925, and is the present pastor. He resides in the manse at 239 Metropolitan Avenue.

McMillan, John, A Resort Church, Atlantic City, Brooks and Idler Company, 1936, p. 35.

Session Records, 1898-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank S. Dickerson, Clerk, 222 North New Hampshire Avenue. Trustee Records, 1935-- , 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Walter Mitchell, Secretary, 124 Madison Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Memberships, Deaths, and Funerals, 1898-- , 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1926-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Jacob Ellis, Clerk, 332 North Massachusetts Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1926-- , 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1929-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Jennie Sweikert, Secretary, 520 North

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New Hampshire Avenue. Financial Records, 1926--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Mitchell, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 84; Deeds, vol. 261, p. 359; vol. 272, p. 385.

220. CHELSEA CHURCH, 1900--. 11 South Chelsea Avenue, Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

The first step toward the establishment of a Presbyterian church in Chelsea was taken by the Presbytery of West Jersey in 1898, when, at its fall meeting, it requested the Rev. Herbert R. Rundall to visit Atlantic City and look over the field with the view to the extension of Presbyterianism to the new and fast-growing sections of the city. The findings resulted in the organization of the present Chelsea Presbyterian Church.

Early services were held in a residence on Sovereign Avenue in 1898. During the first winter, services were held in the dining room of what is now Chelsea Haven. In the summer, the pavilion at the foot of Morris Avenue was used. During the next two years the congregation rented the hall of the Chelsea Fire Company. In 1901, the present site was purchased from Mrs. Eliza Crawford, the first church was completed and dedicated in 1903, and the congregation incorporated then.

The church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows, and a medium sized tower, but no bell. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Herbert R. Rundall, a graduate of Hamilton College, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1900 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. S. Maxwell Coder, 208 North Montpelier Avenue.

Session Records, 1900--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Justin Dick, Clerk, 110 North LaCleda Place. Trustee Records, 1900--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Conrad Nolte, Secretary, 18 South Sovereign Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Funerals, 1900--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1921--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Cameron Dempster, Secretary, 3815 Boulevard. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1938--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Sarah V. Love, Secretary, Farmington. Christian Endeavor Records, 1938--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Katrinka Schwartz, Secretary, 234 North Chelsea Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1938--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Neil Dempster, Secretary, 3815 Boulevard. Financial Records, 1900--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Bruce, Treasurer, 7 North Newark Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 2, p. 41; Deeds, vol. 258, p. 470.

221. ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, 1901--. Park Avenue, Laurel Springs, Camden County.

In the month of November 1901, Rev. F. R. Brace of Blackwood called a meeting for those interested in the establishment of a church in this growing community. This meeting was held in the Laurel Springs Fire House #1, on Sunday afternoon November 3rd. About twenty persons attended, among whom was Mr. Henry W. Bassett, President of the Laurel Springs Realty Company, who, in behalf of the company, donated a site consisting of two lots, the location to be selected later. Now that the church was organized, regular services were held in the Fire House. A meeting was called February 16, 1902, and the question of a name for the church was submitted for a vote. Various names were suggested, a friendly contest by ballot started, and ended in a tie. The name of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church was then chosen, and on February 19, 1902, the congregation incorporated.

The present location on Park Avenue was decided upon, and a church was erected and dedicated in 1906. This church is a plain frame structure, with a bell, and cathedral windows. A Sunday School is adjacent to the church. A special feature is the "Mission Band", comprised of beginners and primary scholars, and through their efforts a generous contribution is made yearly to carry on Missionary work in China. The manse at 430 Park Avenue was purchased in 1925.

Rev. John Ewing served this church from 1901 to 1903. The present pastor, Rev. Thomas T. MacEwen of 430 Park Avenue, was called in 1930.

Session Records, 1902--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edgar A. Davis, Clerk, State Avenue, Lindenwold. Trustee Records, 1902--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1903--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ralph M. Owens, Secretary, Elma Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1902--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Anna Beck, Secretary, Park Avenue. Financial Records, 1901--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Francis Sabold, Treasurer, Bush Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 19, p. 550; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 266, p. 89; vol. 268, p. 502; vol. 311, p. 226; vol. 394, p. 505; vol. 470, p. 123.

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222. COLLINGSWOOD CHURCH, 1902--. Maple and Fern Avenues, Collingswood, Camden County.

Although services were conducted in Tatem Hall at Haddon and Irving Avenues during 1902, the church was not formally organized and incorporated with the assistance of First Church, Haddonfield (entry 197), until March 11, 1903. The corner lot on Haddon and Frazer Avenues was purchased, and ground for the erection of a church was broken on August 16, 1905. It was completed on December 17 of the same year and dedicated on April 16, 1906. The second floor of the Collingswood National Bank was rented for the primary department and a dwelling on the corner of Frazer and Haddon Avenues directly opposite the church was rented for the intermediate department. In 1915, the lot at the corner of Fern and Maple Avenues, the present location of the church, was purchased. At the same time the former site was sold to the Borough of Collingswood. The cornerstone for the present church was laid in 1916, and in 1917, the church was opened for worship. The manse at 857 Maple Avenue was purchased in the fall of 1927, and was remodeled and enlarged.

During the year of 1936, under the pastorate of Rev. Carl McIntire, doctrinal differences occurred with the result that the pastor and one thousand of his flock dissociated themselves from the church. During the year and a half of litigation that followed the church was without a pastor until 1938.

The present church is a two story greystone structure of Tudor-Gothic architecture, with a tower housing a set of electric chimes, and memorial cathedral windows. A Sunday School was erected and dedicated in 1929.

Rev. J. W. McCollum, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, served this church from February to April in 1905. The present pastor is Rev. Robert McNabb, 857 Maple Avenue, who received his call in 1938.

A Cathedral of Service. A dedicatory program and short history published by the church in Collingswood, 1930. 24 pp.

Session and Trustee Records, 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Ernest Kelley, Clerk, 1108 Stokes Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Dr. C. L. Maurer, Superintendent, 130 East Linden Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. M. Ashmore, Secretary, 139 Woodlawn Avenue. Intermediate Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Elaine Hunt, Adviser, 151 Frazer Avenue. Financial Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Warren H. Allen, Treasurer, 729 Haddon Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 23, p. 474; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 396, p. 649; vol. 398, p. 280.

223. FIRST CHURCH, 1905--. 409 Clements Bridge Road, Barrington, Camden County.

This church had its origin at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reese Ford, in Barrington, on May 16, 1905. In August of the same year the Sunday School was organized. On September 19, 1905, the congregation decided to become a Presbyterian Church, and on October 3, the first officers were chosen. A lot on Kingston Avenue was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Burr Haines in 1905, the contract for the erection of the church was signed in 1906, and the new church completed and dedicated the week of April 8 to 16, of the same year. On January 29, 1907, the formal organization as a Presbyterian Church was effected by the Presbytery of West Jersey with assistance of First Church, Haddonfield (entry 197), and in 1908, the congregation incorporated. By this time the congregation had grown to a point where a larger building was necessary. Ground was broken on the present site donated by Mr. Thomas H. Williams for the new church on July 3, 1915. The cornerstone was laid September 4, 1915, and the new church dedicated January 16, 1916. In October 1919, the manse adjoining the church was built. On October 17, 1926, the mortgage was burned.

The church is a one and half story concrete structure of modified Gothic architecture with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Almer Karnell, the first pastor, served this church from 1912 to 1916. The present pastor is Rev. Edwin Dolstrom, Clements Bridge Road.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Members, Marriages, and Deaths), 1908--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Lomox, Clerk, 406 Austin Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1905--, 35 vols., in custody of Mr. C. Donald Flowers, Superintendent, 209 Austin Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1916--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Elliott, Secretary, Page Avenue. Financial Records, 1908--, 32 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred W. Polts, Treasurer, Atlantic Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 34, p. 382; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 381, p. 649; vol. 395, p. 176.

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224. FIRST CHURCH, 1907--. Evesham and Alpha Avenues, Ashland, Camden County.

The first meetings were held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McFadden on Ashland Avenue in 1907, at which time the church was organized. They worshiped here until the summer of 1907, when the church was completed. The land for the church and manse was donated by Mr. William A. Ebert of Ashland in the same year. The church was completed on June 23, 1907, and was dedicated April 12, 1908. The congregation incorporated in 1916. An addition was built to the church, and it was rededicated in 1939.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Harry M. Taxis, was the first pastor, serving this church from 1918 to 1921. The present pastor is Rev. H. Paul Jones, Ashland.

Session Records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles A. Peters, Clerk, West Evesham Road. Trustee Records, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Armand Aaron, Secretary, 6th Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles A. Peters, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1907--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Gladis Niemann, Secretary, Preston Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1908--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Catherine Yocum, Secretary, Homer Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1908--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Alma Frantz, Secretary, Homer Avenue. Financial Records, 1907--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. John E. Matlock, Treasurer, Woodcrest.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 173; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 322, p. 195; vol. 326, p. 440; vol. 410, p. 620.

225. FIRST CHURCH, 1907--. Lake and East View Avenues, Grenloch, Camden County.

The first services were conducted in the Bateman Manufacturing Company office in 1907, at which time the church was organized. The congregation continued to worship here until their present church was completed and dedicated in 1908, on a site purchased from Mr. Thomas Loring. The manse adjoining the church was erected in 1908, on property also purchased from Mr. Thomas Loring.

The church is a one story clapboard structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, cathedral and memorial windows.

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Rev. Frederic R. Brace was the first pastor, serving this church from 1909 to 1910. At present this church is without a pastor.

Session Records, 1909--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Levy C. Reeve, Clerk, Central Avenue. Trustee Records, 1909--, 4 vols.; 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Olin Woodworth, Secretary, Park Avenue; 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Roller, Treasurer, Turnersville. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1909--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Levy C. Reeve, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1909--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Harriet McWhorter, Secretary and Treasurer, Grenloch Lane. Financial Records, 1909--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Olin Woodworth, Secretary.

Record of deeds: Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 227, p. 304; vol. 268, p. 431; vol. 221, pp. 5,6; vol. 511, p. 350.

226. JETHRO CHURCH, 1907--. Hummock and Ohio Avenues, Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

Preliminary meetings were held in the residence of Mr. Alonzo Ridley on Arctic Avenue, where they organized as the Emmanuel Presbyterian Mission in 1907. An increase in membership necessitated their removal to more spacious quarters at 32 North Indiana Avenue in 1908, where services were conducted until 1910. The Jewish Synagogue at 1907 Arctic Avenue was rented for the next year. From 1911 to 1912, a building at 31 North Ohio Avenue was used for worship, they then removed to 1812 Arctic Avenue where they remained until 1916.

The congregation then purchased a building at Michigan and Baltic Avenues from the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, which was used until 1923, the Trustees of the West Jersey Presbytery assisting in obtaining the purchase of the Trinity Methodist Protestant Church, now the present house of worship, which was dedicated and named the Jethro Memorial Church in 1924. The congregation incorporated in 1923.

The church is a two story frame structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, with a square tower, cathedral and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the ground floor auditorium.

Rev. Eugene Johnson, a graduate of Lincoln University Theological School, served this church from 1907 to 1909. The present pastor is Rev. William R. Lawton, 1806 Arctic Avenue.

Sixtieth Anniversary, Atlantic City, Henry Merle Mellen, compiler, 1936, p. 30.

Session Records, 1940--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. O. G. Burney, Chairman, 813 North Michigan Avenue. Trustee Records, 1924--, 2 vols.;

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Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles T. Gaillard, Clerk, 415 North Indiana Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1936--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1935--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1937--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Julia Wolf, Secretary, 1100 Drexel Avenue. Financial Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Samuel L. Hampton, Treasurer, 102 North Virginia Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Atlantic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 14, p. 13; Deeds, vol. 737, p. 196; vol. 915, p. 74.

227. MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1908--. 7th Avenue and Chestnut Street, Vineland, Cumberland County.

In 1902, Rev. Robert B. Moore, a retired Presbyterian minister assisted by Mrs. Louise Haywood, an employee of the First Presbyterian Church of Vineland (entry 190), began house-to-house visitations among the Italian Protestants in an endeavor to keep them spiritually inclined. Services were conducted in this manner until 1903, at which time Rev. Michele Narde, an Italian Evangelist, conducted services in Humbert Hall and later in Schiapelli Hall. In 1904, through the vision and generosity of Rev. Mr. Moore, who pleased with the increasing membership, donated and supplied funds for the erection of the present house of worship and manse at 716 Seventh Street, the same year. On September 21, 1908, the congregation organized as the First Italian Presbyterian Church of Vineland, a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Vineland (entry 190). The congregation incorporated and the name was changed to Memorial Presbyterian Church on July 29, 1926.

The church remodeled in 1926, is a one story stone structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Joseph Pignatiello was the first and is the present pastor. He has been serving this church since 1934.

Cosmar, Mary, Memorial Presbyterian Church. Vineland, 1929. 8 pp.

Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939, Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church, 1939, pp. 106, 107.

Session Records, 1924--, 1 vol.; Trustee Records, 1924--, 1 vol.; Records of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1924--,

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1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1924--., 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1924--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. All prior records are included with those of the First Presbyterian Church of Vineland.

Record of incorporation and deed: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. F, p. 164; Deeds, vol. 273, p. 550.

228. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1908--. 36th and Merriel Avenue, Camden, Camden County.

First meeting was held October 2, 1908, at the residence of Mr. William Sheppard on Jefferson Avenue, North Merchantville. Subsequent meetings were held in the homes of other members. The church organization and incorporation was effected at a meeting held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church. They later moved to the Young Men's Social Club, and then to St. George's Church, until the erection of their first church in 1909. This first church was on the site of the present church at 36th and Merriel Avenue, the original lots being purchased from Cramer and Griffie. In the early part of 1922, that part of the present church which now serves as a basement was completed and used for services. On February 27, 1927, the new church was dedicated.

The manse located at 3511 Merriel Avenue was acquired in 1930.

The church is a stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with a tower, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Joseph Malone served this church from 1908 to 1912. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Rumer, 3511 Merriel Avenue.

Session and Trustee Records, 1908--., 2 vols., in custody of Dr. C. Frazier Hadley, Clerk, 210 Maple Avenue, Merchantville. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1908--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1914--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Marjorie Kennedy, Secretary, 15 North 35th Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records 1909--., 2 vols., in custody of Miss Beatrice Wenton, Secretary, 321 Morst Street. Financial Records, 1908--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Lawrence Costill, Treasurer, 1120 Springfield Avenue, North Merchantville.

Record of incorporation and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 36, p. 222; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 334, p. 471.

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229. FIRST CHURCH, 1912--. Chestnut Street and Terrace Avenue, Albion. Camden County.

This church was organized in 1912. First meetings were held in the home of Mr. McCouch from 1912 to 1913, when four lots were donated by Mr. James Lyons of Philadelphia, and the church was erected and dedicated in the spring of the same year. The church was renovated and repaired in 1932.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Charles Barrett was the first pastor serving this church from 1913 to (date unknown). At present this church is without a pastor.

Session Records, 1913--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Thomas Entriken, Clerk, Chestnut Street. Trustee Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Clarence Nicholson, Secretary, Albion. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Thomas Entriken, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Doris Ware, Secretary, Albion Road. Financial Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Elmer Shaw, Treasurer, Cross Keys Road.

Record of deeds: Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 376, p. 647; vol. 787, pp. 425, 426.

230. WEST COLLINGSWOOD CHURCH, 1915--. Collings and Calvert Avenues, West Collingswood, Camden County.

This congregation had its inception in the fall of 1915, when Rev. J. N. McDowell, a representative of the West Jersey Presbytery organized a church in this community. The congregation incorporated the same year. Services were conducted in the old school house at Collings and Champion Avenues, by Rev. W. Edward Jordan, then a student at Princeton Theological Seminary. The congregation prospered, and by the following year the present manse at 1212 Eldridge Avenue was purchased. A house of worship was erected and dedicated in 1918, on the present site which was purchased from the West Collingswood Improvement Company in 1917.

The church is a two story stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. W. Edward Jordan, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this congregation from 1915 to 1916. The present pastor is Rev. Percival Cundy, 1212 Eldridge Avenue.

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Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939, Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton, 1939, pp. 11,112.

Schultz, I. Sturges, West Collingswood Presbyterian Church, A History from 1915 to 1918. Collingswood, 1918. 16 pp.

Session Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William E. Culbert, Clerk, 1205 Grant Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert D. Spratt, Secretary, 1220 Elm Avenue. Record of Communicants, Births, Deaths, Pastors, and Marriages, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William E. Culbert, Secretary. Sunday School Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Spratt, Custodian. Ladies' Social Union Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Lydia Spratt, Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 45, p. 267; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 404, p. 556; vol. 426, p. 551.

231. UNION CHURCH OF CARNEY'S POINT, 1917--. Corner of Walker and Delaware Avenues, Carney's Point, Salem County.

In 1915, munition factories were established in this vicinity by the du Pont Company of Wilmington, Delaware, which resulted in an influx of persons from every state in the Union until fifteen thousand inhabitants squatted in crude rubberoid huts, on open farm lands. An Industrial Y. M. C. A. financed by the company provided a semi-religious atmosphere for the men, but the women and children required religious guidance and the churches in the neighborhood could not meet this demand. In 1915, through the efforts of Mrs. Joseph M. Wright, a Sunday School was established with meetings held in the Community Hall.

The congregation was organized by the West Jersey Presbytery, on March 5, 1917, and called Union Church because of the various denominations represented. They incorporated in 1919. Meetings were continued in the Community Hall until 1920, at which time the present house of worship, a red brick structure of Tabernacle architecture, with pebbled windows, was erected and dedicated on a site given by the du Pont Company in 1919. The manse is situated opposite the Regional High School, and was given by the du Pont Company the same year. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room adjacent to main auditorium.

Rev. C. A. Fornataro served this congregation from 1915 to 1917. The present pastor is Rev. Thurlow Fraser, Shell Road.

One Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1839-1939, Bridgeton, First Presbyterian Church 1939, pp. 112-115.

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Session Records, 1920--., 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1919--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. E. H. Tomkinson, Clerk, 144 Shell Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1918--., 2 vols.; 1 file box, in custody of Mr. W. T. Drennan, Secretary 31 B Street, Fenwick Park Area. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1940--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Lynne Ulich, President, corner of Harrison Road and Lincoln Highway. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1940--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Roberta Evans, President, 12 Zeigler Tract. Ladies' Aid Records, 1940--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Chester Scott, Secretary, 157 Delaware Avenue. Financial Records, 1919--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. R. A. Shimp, Treasurer, 44 K Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Salem County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. C, p. 80; Deeds, vol. 144, p. 160; vol. 193, p. 407.

232. WOODCREST CHAPEL, 1917--.. Melrose Avenue, Woodcrest, Camden County.

A Sunday School was started by Mrs. Robert Kircher in her home on May 14, 1914. The first services as a congregation were held in a real estate office on Woodcrest Avenue and Atlantic Avenue in 1917, when they organized with the assistance of First Church, Haddonfield (entry 197). They moved into the Fire House in 1919. They worshiped here until they moved into the chapel on January 23, 1921. The site for the chapel was donated by Mr. Charles H. Bilhmaier, Atlantic and Lakeside Avenues. The members raised enough money to start erection of the chapel and the Haddonfield Session financed the balance of the cost of erection. The cornerstone was laid in 1920.

The church is a one story brown shingled structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Joseph B. C. Mackie, served this church from 1917 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. William Hayes Topping, Box 65, Stratford.

Session Records, 1921--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1920--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Elwood Gamewell, Secretary and Treasurer, Center Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1921--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1917--., 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Kenneth Allison, Treasurer, Melrose Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1920--., 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Florence Allison, Treasurer, Melrose Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1939--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Thelma Pennington, Treasurer, Ellis Avenue. Financial Records, 1917--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Elwood Gamewell, Treasurer.

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233. FIRST CHURCH, 1923--. South Broadway , Pitman, Gloucester County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1923. For the first six months they worshiped in Itaska Hall, then in the Park Theatre until the latter part of 1925, when services were transferred to the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church located on Wildwood Avenue. The congregation continued to hold services here until 1926, at which time the present site was purchased and a church erected and dedicated the same year.

The church is a red and white brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a Tudor tower, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Reber T. Taggart, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was the first pastor serving this church. The present pastor is Rev. E. Cobb Brink, 702 Broadway.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Stacy M. Robbins, Secretary, 200 Columbia Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William R. Smith, Superintendent, 147 Breakwood Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Isabelle Kress, Secretary, 345 Lake Avenue. Loyal Worker's Records, 1923--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Portes Parker, Secretary, 418 Pitman Avenue. Financial Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William R. Peddicord, Treasurer, 102 Columbia Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 37; Deeds, vol. 329, p. 264.

234. FIRST CHURCH, 1925--. Woodbury and Oak Roads, Blackwood Terrace, Gloucester County.

Preliminary services were held in the Union Fire Company #1 on Main Street, Blackwood Terrace, in 1925, at which time the church was organized and incorporated. A site for a church was donated by Mr. Walter C. McGinley, Sr., of 3rd Avenue. The church was erected and dedicated in 1929.

This church is a clapboard structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction in the church.

Rev. Cedric Miller, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1925 to 1932. The present pastor is Rev. Robert C. Smith, East Church Street, Blackwood.

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Session Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter C. McGinley, Sr., Clerk, Third Avenue. Trustee Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter C. McGinley, Jr., Treasurer, 2nd Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harriet Urban, Secretary, Main Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Ruth Dunn, Treasurer, Second Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Margaret Lean, Secretary, Main Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Gloucester County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 3, p. 104; Deeds, vol. 307, p. 350; vol. 345, p. 24; vol. 370, p. 448.

235. BETHANY CHURCH, 1926--. Glenview and Sycamore Street, Haddon Heights, Camden County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1926, through the help of the Church Extension Board and First Church, Haddonfield (entry 197), to fill the need for a church in the Fairfield section of Haddon Heights. Early meetings were held in a vacant house located at the corner of Maple and Haverfield Avenues in Haddon Heights, and furnished by Mr. and Mrs. John Sherwin.

In 1926, their present site was purchased from Mr. Frank R. Good and a small portable mission house was supplied by the Board of Church Extensions as a place of worship. Sunday School classes are conducted therein.

This church is a small portable frame building of meeting house architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Harry M. Taxis, who resides at 37 North Girard Street, Woodbury, has been serving this church since 1926.

Session Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Chester Steward, Clerk, 1844 Bryn Mawr Avenue. Trustee Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. L. E. Jillson, Secretary, 908 Station Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Dorothy Koklhund, Secretary, 1725 Sycamore Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Chester Steward, Secretary. Ladies' Aid Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harry Poars, Secretary, 1845 Maple Avenue. Financial Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George King, Treasurer, 1844 West High Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Camden County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 58, p. 431; Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 654, p. 508.

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236. SOMERDALE CHAPEL, 1928--. Somerdale Road, Somerdale, Camden County.

Preliminary meetings were held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matthews Ellick, White Horse Pike, on Palm Sunday March 20, 1921. Sunday School services were held in this home for four weeks, after which Mr. Thomas McMichael of Somerdale Road, gave the use of his old carpenter shop located at the fork of Somerdale Road. Then the group moved into a room in the basement of the school. This proved unsatisfactory and Mr. Thomas McMichael again provided a larger meeting place on Somerdale Road, which was more suitable. The congregation organized April 15, 1928, with the assistance of First Church, Haddonfield (entry 197). The site for the present chapel was also donated by Mr. Thomas McMichael on April 8, 1928. The first service was held in the new chapel when dedicated on October 5, 1930.

The chapel is a two story red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Theron Hewitt, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served from 1928 to 1932. The present pastor is Rev. William Hayes Topping, Box 65, Stratford.

Trustee Records, 1928--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Thomas Moore, Secretary, Hilltop Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1928--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1922--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Huntington, Treasurer, Hilltop Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1924--., 4 vols., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Anna Hollworth, Secretary, Minnetonka Road; 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Grace Rowe, Treasurer, Marden Lane. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1924--., 2 vols., in custody of Miss Irene Ergly, Secretary, Minnetonka Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Financial Records, 1924--., 2 vols., in custody of Miss Edith Judity, Treasurer, Ogg Avenue.

Record of deed: Camden County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 802, p. 337.

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237. PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH, 1859--. Rev. John Townley,
Stated Clerk, 612 Laurel Avenue, Point Pleasant.

To trace the origin of this presbytery it is necessary to recall that the Presbytery of West Jersey was formed out of that of Philadelphia in 1839, and that the Presbytery of Burlington was organized from this West Jersey area in 1849.

To facilitate assembling of ministers and elders, and to reduce the arduous tasks of travel over mid-nineteenth century Jersey roads, a petition was presented to the Synod of New Jersey in 1859, asking that the eastern portion of the Presbytery of New Brunswick be set off as the Presbytery of Monmouth. The prayer was granted and the presbytery was formed.

Following the reunion of the Old and New School groups, in 1870, Burlington and Monmouth Presbyteries were united. A slice of New Brunswick was added, Camden being given to West Jersey.

The present Stated Clerk is Rev. John Townley, 612 Laurel Avenue, Point Pleasant. The records listed below will also include those of the Presbytery of Burlington, merged in this presbytery in 1870.

Burlington Presbytery Records, 1849-70, 2 vols., in Synod Archives, Princeton Theological Seminary. Monmouth Presbytery Records, 1859--, 8 vols.; 1859-1925, 7 vols., in Synod Archives, Princeton Theological Seminary; 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. John Townley, Stated Clerk.

238. OLD SCOTS CHURCH, 1690-1760. Closed. Marlboro
(formerly Freehill), Monmouth County.

After a severe voyage of 100 days, a number of Scotch Presbyterians landed on the shores of Monmouth County in 1685. They had been persecuted in their home land because of their religion and hoped that the new world would allow them the freedom they desired. Upon landing they proceeded west until they came to the rich farmlands in the vicinity of Freehold. Among the leaders of this group was Mr. Walter Ker, a young man of twenty-nine, who was instrumental in organizing the first Presbyterian meeting in Freehold. Late in 1689, a plot of ground was deeded to Mr. Walter Ker by Mr. Thomas Parr, consisting of thirty acres of headland. A log meeting house was immediately erected on part of this property and irregular services were held by Rev. John Boyd.

In 1706, the elders and Rev. John Boyd appeared before the Judge of the Quarter Sessions Court in Freehold, as Mr. Boyd wished to be ordained as a minister. His qualifications met with approval and during the same year, on December 27th, the newly organized Presbytery of Philadelphia met for the first time in this church and ordained him.

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This was the first official meeting of any presbytery and the first ordination of a Presbyterian minister in the new world Rev. Francis Makemie, founder of the First Presbyterian Church in America, located in Maryland, occupied the Moderator's chair.

In 1730, the elders and representatives met at the home of Mr. D. Rhea, to undertake the management of a new meeting house to be erected about five miles from Old Scots. This was accomplished and it was called Old Tennent (entry 241). Old Scots was then known as the Upper meeting house and Old Tennent, the Lower meeting house. Services were held on alternate Sundays in each church.

The church was repaired in 1730, and again in 1738. Soon meetings became less regular at Old Scots because of the movement of inhabitants toward Freehold; and about 1753, the Scots church was almost abandoned. However, as late as 1760, the will of Mr. William McConky shows that the church was still in use as the will devised "100 pounds for the support of the Presbyterian minister at Scotch Meeting House in Freehold".

This church was a simple log and clay structure, its dimensions were about 20' x 20'.

Rev. John Boyd, a graduate of the University of Glasgow, Scotland, served this church from 1705 to 1708.

MacCauley, Hugh B., Old Scots Memorial. Trenton, MacCrellish and Quigley, 1900. 50 pp.

Short History in Asbury Park Press. Asbury Park, 1932. Vol. 53, No. 44.

Symmes, Frank R., History of the Old Tennent Church, Freehold. Freehold, James S. Yard and Son, 1897. 144 pp.

Burrows, George W., History of Old Scots Church, 1904, pp. 2-17.

Miscellaneous Papers and Document Survey. Records of Old Scots and Tennent Churches, 1727 to 1917, book form, catalogued as Vol. II, in custody of Monmouth County Historical Society, 70 Court Street, Freehold.

Record of deeds: Secretary of State's Office, Deeds, vol. E, p. 1539; vol. F 2, pp. 535-537; vol. Z, p. 288; Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 613, pp. 376-382.

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239. MIDDLETOWN CHURCH, 1706-1790. Closed. Kings Highway, Middletown, Monmouth County.

The Presbyterian Church of Middletown had its beginning in 1706. Services were held in a one room frame structure erected on the old Presbyterian burying ground. Captain John Bowne, an independent and unordained preacher, donated this ground to the town for the purpose of building a meeting house. The congregation was under the care of Rev. John Boyd, the first minister ordained in this country by the Presbytery of Philadelphia. A monument for this occasion was erected on the grounds of the Old Scotch Meeting House in Freehold. Rev. Joseph Morgan succeeded Mr. Boyd and remained until 1728. The church at that time was in a dilapidated condition and was abandoned. In 1738, Rev. Samuel Blair was called and even though he stayed only a year, the church was repaired and services continued. The church was without a regular pastor for several years. In 1767, Rev. Charles McKnight was called; it was in this church, during the Revolutionary War, that Rev. McKnight denounced the British from his pulpit and was made a prisoner by the Hessians under Lieutenant Moody, of the British Army. He was taken to the "Old Sugar House" at Fort Lee, and his church burned. Later he was placed on board a prison ship in New York Harbor where he remained until his release. His sufferings while imprisoned caused his death, January 1, 1778. His resting place is in Trinity Churchyard, New York City.

In 1781, a new church was erected on the same site. This building was a frame structure, meeting house type of architecture. However, the existence of the congregation did not continue long, and in 1790, the church closed. Sometime later the building was torn down.

Rev. John Boyd served this church from 1706 to 1708.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, R. T. Peck, 1885, p. 532.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York City, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, p. 325.

Mandeville, John, History of Middletown, Middletown, 1921, I, 68.

Record of wills and deed: Monmouth County Surrogate's Office, Wills, vol. B, p. 225; Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. E, p. 534.

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240. ALLENTOWN CHURCH, 1721--. Main Street, Allentown, Monmouth County.

It is believed that the organization of the Presbyterian Society, out of which this church was founded in 1721, was brought about through the preaching of Rev. Joseph Morgan, in the region of Topanemus (now Marlboro). Mr. Morgan secured the services of a Mr. Walton, a graduate of Yale University as lay preacher. He soon discontinued preaching and the congregation was without a regular pastor, until 1730, when Rev. Eleazer Wales was called. Mr. Wales remained four years. For several years the pulpit was served by stated supplies. In 1743, Rev. Charles McKnight was called to the Allentown Church. Property for a church site, the present location, was purchased from Mr. William Lawrence in 1744, and in 1752, a tract of land was purchased from Messrs. Gysbert Hendrickson, Robert English, and Leford Leason, to be used as a parsonage farm. Adjoining farm land was deeded to the trustees in 1757. There is no record of whether a house was on this property at the time of purchase, but it is known that the pastors lived there for many years. Incorporation took place in 1874.

The first church, a brick structure, was erected in 1756, on property purchased in 1744. It had a sky-blue vaulted ceiling, with cloud effects. The high enclosed pulpit reached by a flight of winding steps and suspended over it was the customary sounding-board. This church was in use until 1837, at which time it was taken down and the second church erected on the same site.

The present church, erected in 1837, is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with steeple, bell, clock, and cathedral windows. On the westerly wall is a brick on which is cut the inscription "Robert Debow, 1756". It is believed this brick was taken from the original church, which was built in that year. Property was purchased at 118 South Main Street, and the present manse erected in 1874.

Rev. Eleazer Wales, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, served this church from 1730 to 1734. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Marks, 118 South Main Street

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, R. T. Peck, 1885, p. 632.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1922, I, 422.

Perkins, Henry, History of the Presbyterian Church of Allentown, 1820 to 1864, Allentown, Presbyterian Church, 1864.

Session Records, 1872--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Waln, Clerk, 97 South Main Street. Trustee Records, 1874--, 3 vols.;

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1874-1910, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1890--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George Wain, Secretary. Sunday School Records, 1902--, 1 vol.; Treasurer's Book, 1902--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Harold Smith, Secretary and Treasurer, 33 North Main Street. Missionary Society Records, 1913--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Robert Wilson Mark, Vice-President, 118 South Main Street. Financial Records "Ledger", 1910-32, 1 vol.; "Treasurer's Book", 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Leon Nelson, Treasurer, 6 Church Street. Financial Secretary's Book, 1914--, 12 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Harold Smith, Financial Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 158; Deeds, vol. L 2, pp. 139, 140; vol. D 5, pp. 562-564; vol. G 3, pp. 151, 152; vol Q 6, pp. 16, 17; vol. Y 6, pp. 354, 355; vol. 180, pp. 401-404; vol. 182, pp. 174, 175; vol. 224, pp. 302, 303; vol. 261, pp. 102-105; vol. 389, p. 422; vol. 478, p. 290; vol. 531, pp. 455-457; vol. 735, p. 389; vol. 1453, pp. 341, 342.

241. OLD TENNENT CHURCH, 1731--. Tennent Road, Freehold, Monmouth County.

On July 20, 1730, a meeting was held by the elders and several representatives of Old Scots Church (entry 238), for the purpose of establishing another house of worship in Freehold. Funds were raised by subscription and work on a new church started. Rapid progress was made, and the first services and dedication ceremonies were held on April 18, 1731. An agreement was made that alternate services be held; one Sunday at Old Scots, called the Upper meeting house, and the following Sunday at Old Tennent, called the Lower meeting house. About five miles separated the two churches.

In 1750, due to prosperity and the growing congregation, plans were made to build a larger church. Funds for this undertaking were again obtained through subscription and the church was completed in 1753. This church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with steeple and cathedral windows. The church had been known as the First Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County; but as a tribute to Rev. William Tennent, who had been their pastor for almost forty-four years, the name was changed to Old Tennent and incorporated as such in 1921.

Rev. William Tennent, born in Armagh, North Ireland, was educated at his father's "Log College" at Neshaming, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. He served this church from 1733 to 1777. The present pastor is Rev. Charles Harnish Neff, Freehold.

Manual of the First Presbyterian Church of Freehold, containing a history of the church. Ptd. by order of the Session. Trenton, Transcript Printing House, 1900. 61 pp.

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Symmes, Frank R., History of the Old Tennent Church, Freehold. Freehold, James S. Yard and Son, 1897.
144 pp.

Register Books, 1727-1917, 8 vols.; 1730-1820, vol. I (contains Record of Baptisms, early History, Meetings, Deeds, Maps, Plans, Endowments, Titles, Surveys, Session and Trustee Meetings); 1727-1917, vol. II (contains Miscellaneous Papers, Congregational Meetings, Deeds, Maps, and Plans); 1755-1892, vol. III (contains Miscellaneous Records, Documents, Baptisms, Bills, Salaries, Financial Records, and Trustees Election Certificates); 1811-1892, vol. IV (contains Treasurer's Accounts and Trustee Records); 1768-1890, vol. V (contains Church Records); 1849-1892, vol. VI; 1750-1832, vol. VII (contains Trustee Records); 1727-1917, vol. VIII (contains Miscellaneous Records and Records of Cemetery), in custody of the Monmouth County Historical Society, Freehold.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. J, p. 266; Deeds, vol. H, pp. 52A, 53A; vol. O, pp. 330-332; vol. 892, pp. 88-91; vol. 943, pp. 141-143; vol. 964, pp. 169-172; vol. 1047, pp. 490, 491; vol. 1045, pp. 418, 419; vol. 1055, pp. 219-221; vol. 1063, p. 409; vol. O, pp. 346-348; vol. B 4, pp. 455, 456; vol. K, pp. 181, 182; vol. 149, pp. 291-293; vol. 344, pp. 49-51.

242. FIRST CHURCH, 1732--. Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, Monmouth County.

As early as 1727, the site for this church was purchased from Mr. Nicholas Brown. The first building was erected in 1732, at which time the church was organized. This church has had two distinct eras; the first, eighty-nine years in duration, and the second, one hundred and nineteen years. In the first period the membership was always small and scattered. Frequently there was no minister or stated supply, and services were conducted at intervals by ministers who were invited to preach.

Beginning about 1821, the church seemed to take on new life and since that time has had a steady development even though just a handful of members remained, who were determined to carry on. Their one aim was to build a new church and everyone interested in such an undertaking, regardless of denomination, was invited to cooperate. It was understood that the building would be open to services of all denominations. Their efforts were successful and the cornerstone was laid August 29, 1821; the church completed and dedicated September 29, 1822.

In 1838, the congregation incorporated as the First Presbyterian Church of Shrewsbury. By 1840, the church had a solid foundation with an enlarged membership. In 1873, the congregation

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reincorporated as the Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room at the rear of the church, this being an addition in 1876. Property was purchased by the congregation on the north side of Sycamore Avenue, and a manse erected in 1926.

The present church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with belfry, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Samuel Blair, a graduate of the "Log College" at Neshaminy, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, served this church from 1734 to 1739. The present pastor is Rev. George H. Miksch, Sycamore Avenue.

Journal of the Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, Presbyterian Historical Society, 1913, VII, 67; 1915, VIII, 49-69.

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Nelson, William, The New Jersey Coast, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1904, I, 267.

Symmes, Frank R., Historical Sketch of Monmouth Presbytery, Trenton, Presbytery of Monmouth, 1877, pp. 7, 8.

Symmes, Frank R., History of Old Tennent, Cranbury, George W. Burroughs, 1904, pp. 16-22.

Session Records, 1824--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Anson, Secretary, Silverbrook Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1734--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1937--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Henry Borden, Secretary, Broad Street. Women's Foreign Missionary Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Morgan Knapp, Secretary, 13 West Buttonwood Drive. Helping Hand Society Records, 1902--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Mary C. Borden, Secretary, Buttonwood Drive and Sycamore Avenue. Financial Records, 1920--, 2 vols.; 1920-35, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George Vevius, former Treasurer, Sycamore Avenue; 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Clarence E. Berger, Treasurer, Silverbrook Road.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 154; vol. C, pp. 219, 220; Deeds, vol. X 5, pp. 428-431; vol. 1086, pp. 85-89.

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243. FIRST CHURCH, 1734--. Main Street, Cranbury,
Middlesex County.

With the Dutch, the Friends, and French Huguenots in this section, these Presbyterians made an agreement to join the Church of England persuasion, and this building was erected and used for services by the various groups. In 1738, the Presbyterians sold their interest in the building, as trouble arose concerning the use of it, and steps were taken to build a church of their own. Mr. Van Vorhys and Mr. Story conveyed property south of the brook to the newly formed church and in 1740, their new church was completed and dedicated. During 1788, a second church was erected on the present site. In 1839, the church was again rebuilt and dedicated. The old frame was used but it was enlarged and made more comfortable. The church prospered and in the summer of 1859, funds were collected and the building again enlarged. Dedication services were held November 24, 1859. In 1889, thirty years after the building of the church in its present form it was remodeled and refurnished.

This church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with tall spire and cathedral windows. The Sunday School is one of the most satisfactory organizations in the church, and classes are held in the old chapel adjoining the church. In 1914, the manse, a large two and a half story frame structure, was erected.

Rev. Charles McKnight, served this church from 1744 to 1778. The present pastor is Rev. David J. Spratt, Cranbury.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, pp. 869-872.

Symmes, Joseph G., Historical Sketch, First Church of Cranbury, New Jersey. Trenton, Murphy and Bechtel, 1869. 32 pp.

Session Records, 1791--, 6 vols.; Trustee Records, 1812--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1747--, 6 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation. Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 32.

244. FIRST CHURCH, 1763--. 214 Main Street, Matawan,
Monmouth County.

First services were conducted in the Old Church building at Mt. Pleasant on Middletown Point. Rev. Charles McKnight was responsible for the erection of the original church in 1763. During the War

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for Independence, the British burned the church. Services were then held in the Academy Building (now the middle District Public School). Realizing the need of a permanent church for this growing congregation, Rev. Charles Webster proposed the erection of a church. With the combined efforts of Professor Phillips and the congregation, funds were raised by holding a fair in the Academy Building; and through subscriptions from the congregation, the building of a church was made possible. On July 17, 1841, the cornerstone of a new church was laid and the church completed that year. Dedication services were held in 1842. During 1867, the church was enlarged and remodeled.

The present church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry and cathedral windows. The manse, a frame structure, was erected on adjoining property in 1852.

Rev. Charles McKnight who traveled as a missionary in the vicinity of Middletown Point, served this church from 1763 to 1777. The present pastor is Rev. Robert E. Berger, 230 Main Street.

Alexander, W. C., History of the First Presbyterian Church of Matawan. Matawan, First Presbyterian Church, 1892. 22 pp.

Session Records (include Historical Sketch, Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, Sunday School Records, and Financial Records), 1820--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Terhune, Custodian, Main Street. Records of Mt. Pleasant Church, Mt. Pleasant (entry 245), incorporated in Minutes of this church, 1820-53, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. C, pp. 274, 275; Deeds, vol. C 4, pp. 86, 87; vol. R 6, pp. 191-194; vol. 159, pp. 33-35; vol. 1771, pp. 444, 445; vol. 1789, pp. 47, 48.

245. MT. PLEASANT CHURCH, 1763-1841. Extinct. New Brunswick Avenue and Main Street, Freneau (formerly Mt. Pleasant), Monmouth County.

Early services, from 1761 to 1763, were held in the homes of members, with Rev. Elihu Spencer conducting them. In 1763, Rev. Charles McKnight was called to carry on this work. In the same year organization was effected and Mr. Wyckoff donated property for a church site. A frame church was erected in 1766, in the vicinity of the Mt. Pleasant school-house, near the present intersection of New Brunswick Avenue and Main Street. This building was located in the middle of a large "green", a place of meeting for the people of the neighborhood. Here in 1775, politics as well as religion were discussed. After the start of the Revolutionary War, it became a rallying point in case of alarm. The church was burned by the British in 1777. There were no services until

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1798, when, through the proceeds of a lottery held for the purpose and donations of materials, a new church was erected at the present site.

This church was also a frame structure, meeting house type of architecture, which was used until 1841, when it was abandoned and the First Presbyterian Church of Matawan (entry 244) erected. The building was sold and moved to an adjacent farm and later was destroyed by fire.

Rev. Charles McKnight, served this church from 1766 to 1778.

Records from 1761 to 1778, burned in church fire; 1778 to 1820, unknown; 1820 to 1841, in first volume of records of the First Presbyterian Church of Matawan, in custody of Rev. Robert Berger, 230 Main Street, Matawan.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vols. A and B containing incorporation data, missing; Deeds, vol. D 4, p. 494.

246. FIRST CHURCH, 1786--. Perrineville (Millstone Township), Monmouth County.

Perrineville is situated in the north central part of Millstone Township. In 1786, the Presbyterian Church of Millstone was organized, the original membership being thirteen. Rev. William Henry Woodhull at this time was pastor of the Allentown Church, Allentown (entry 240), but came to Perrineville as a missionary pastor. In 1796, a plot of ground, the present site, was purchased and the erection of a house of worship started. It was enclosed, a pulpit erected and temporary seats arranged; but inasmuch as sufficient funds could not be raised, the building remained unfinished until forty years later. However it was used for religious services for many years. Many pastors of other denominations preached here on the Sabbath. In 1857, the church was remodeled and enlarged. In 1884, it was destroyed by fire, but was immediately rebuilt. During the time of construction services were held in a two story frame building which was used for a district schoolhouse. Dedication services were held in 1884, after completion of the church. In 1930, the congregation met in a special meeting with the congregation of the Manalapan Church (entry 266) to consider some sort of union services. It was finally decided to have one minister serve both churches. At the present time this plan is in progress, the program being services from October to April in the Perrineville Church and the rest of the year in the Manalapan Church.

This church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture with Georgian influence. There is a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School room adjoins the church. The manse dates back to 1826, but little is known of its acquisition. In July 1867, the property was sold to Mr. Henry M. Worrell.

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Rev. William Henry Woodhull, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, served this church from 1826 to 1832. The present pastor is Rev. Earl Fritz of Freehold.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1922, p. 435.

Old Home Day. Calendar. Hightstown, Hightstown Gazette, 1933. 40 pp. History of Church on pp. 3-5.

Perrine, William Davison, Perrineville Presbyterian Church and Early Settlers, 1786-1936. Princeton Junction, William Davison Perrine, 1936. 60 pp.

Records destroyed by fire in depository in 1936. Pastor keeps personal notes on Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, dated from 1936. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. S. Perrine Dey, Secretary, Allentown. All other society records are combined with those of Manalapan Church (entry 266).

Record of deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. L 2, pp. 451-453; vol. N 2, pp. 10-12; vol. I 4, pp. 269-271; vol. K 5, pp. 249-251; vol. L 2, pp. 157-159.

247. ARDENA CHURCH, 1828-1840. Closed. Farmingdale-Freehold Road, Ardena, Monmouth County.

This church was organized in 1828, and continued for twelve years. The church building was erected in 1828. This church was a plain frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with cathedral windows. A cemetery was connected with this church, and through neglect, reached the point where fences were down, and cattle trod upon the graves. Friends and relatives of those buried there, protested; and after the church closed, a petition was sent to the legislature asking permission to sell the church building and use the proceeds for an enclosure around the cemetery. Permission was granted on condition that the church site be given to a religious denomination, which would again build a church here. A vote gave the property to the Baptist congregation, and it was used for their church site.

Rev. William Woodhull, served this church from 1828 to 1832.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1922, I, 433.

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248. HOWELL CHURCH, 1831-1838. Closed. Howell, Monmouth County.

This church was organized in 1831, by Rev. Eli F. Colley, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton (entry 8), and the Rev. Robert Ray, pastor of the Old Tennent Church (entry 241). There were eight original members, three of whom came by certificate from Old Tennent Church. After an existence of about seven years, the church was dissolved by an act of the Presbytery and its members united with the Presbyterian Church of Freehold (entry 250). Preaching services were held there however, as late as 1848, with Rev's. J. F. Halsey, L. H. Van Doren, and D. V. McLean, conducting the services.

Session Records, Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1831-38, 1 vol., in Princeton Theological Seminary Library, Princeton.

249. FIRST CHURCH, 1835--. 10 Main Street, Columbus, Burlington County.

This church was organized August 15, 1835, by a committee appointed by the Second Presbytery of Philadelphia. Early services were held in the schoolhouse, in a wheelwright's shop, in a large tent, and even in the wooded groves of Columbus. Through the efforts of Dr. Heineken, the present site was deeded to the church in 1837, and a church was built for the congregation the following year. There was no regular pastor for ten years. In 1845, Rev. Samuel Miller, Jr., was sent as stated supply to serve in the Columbus and Mount Holly sections. Because of the distance from Columbus to Philadelphia, the church transferred its affiliations and became a member of the Monmouth Presbytery. Rev. Samuel Miller served this church twenty years; and in 1866, the first full time pastor, Rev. Henry S. Butler, was installed. From time to time the building was repaired, always with the hope that a new church could be erected. Incorporation ensued in 1871. In 1881, with the help of friends, neighboring churches, and the presbytery, the way was paved to build the new church. The old church building was moved to the rear and remodeled to be used as a Sunday School and lecture room.

The present building, completed and dedicated in 1883, is a one story frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Rev. Henry Rodney Hall built the manse, located at 24 West Main Street, which was later purchased by the church.

Rev. Henry S. Butler, a graduate of Princeton College and Theological Seminary, served this church from 1866 to 1868. The present pastor is Rev. Frank Wolfinder Lloyd, 24 West Main Street.

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Dunn, Leslie Arden, Brief History on 100th Anniversary of First Presbyterian Church of Columbus, New Jersey, 1835-1935. Columbus, First Presbyterian Church, 1935. 18 pp.

Woodward, E. M, and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties. Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott, 1883.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. B, p. 73; Deeds, vol. P 3, p. 547; vol. H 5, pp. 432, 596; vol. I, p. 423; vol. Y 3, p. 507; vol. G 5, p. 594.

250. FIRST CHURCH, 1835--. 22 West Main Street, Freehold, Monmouth County.

Intent on finding a more convenient meeting place rather than forming a new organization, a few members of the Old Tennent Church (entry 241), together with their pastor, Rev. Daniel V. McLean, planned an additional house of worship in Freehold. Permission was granted by the Presbytery, property was purchased from the Brinkerhoff family, and a church erected in 1835. Supply pastors served until formal organization in 1838. The church, known as the Village Church of Freehold, was a brick structure which was enlarged in 1852. In the late sixties it was considered unsafe. A new church was started in 1871, on the present site, completed and dedicated in 1873. The old church was razed and some of the material used in the erection of the present church. When nearing completion, the tower collapsed as a result of a heavy rain storm accompanied by high winds. The damage was repaired and the church was finally completed and dedicated April 10, 1873.

The present church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture with tower and cathedral windows. Sunday School and lecture rooms were added and dedicated in 1874. The manse, at 118 West Main Street, was erected in 1891.

Rev. Daniel Veech McLean, a graduate of the University of Ohio, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1835 to 1849. The present pastor is Rev. George Harrison Horn, 118 West Main Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. C, p. 183; Deeds, vol. M 3, pp. 169-171; vol. 232, pp. 411-414; vol. 238, pp. 31-33.

251. FIRST CHURCH OF BURLINGTON, 1836--. High and Pearl Streets, Burlington, Burlington County.

Services prior to 1836, were held in a private dwelling on High Street and in the building known as the Philosophical Lecture Room, on East Union Street. This church was organized with a membership of nine, and the first services of the newly organized group were held in a small frame structure on Pearl Street, which was built in 1836. Incorporation took place in 1838. The present site was purchased from Mr. Thomas Aikman in 1839, and a church erected about 1840. Additional property was purchased, a cornerstone was laid, and the church enlarged in 1853. Improvements were made and the church refurnished and dedicated in 1874.

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The present church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School Chapel was built and dedicated in 1873, and is part of the church building. Property was purchased and the manse erected at 204 East Union Street, about 1886.

Rev. Courtland Van Rensselaer, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1837 to 1840. The present pastor is Rev. Frank Lukens, 204 East Union Street.

Hodge, Edward B., History of the Presbytery of Burlington County. Ms. April 10, 1888. 42 pp.

Memorial of Courtland Van Rensselaer. Philadelphia, C. S. Sherman and Sons, 1860.

Van Rensselaer, Courtland, Essays and Discourses. Philadelphia, Philadelphia Board of Presbytery, 1861.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. S, p. 360; Deeds, vol. 43, p. 121; vol. A 7, p. 538; vol. I, p. 38; vol. G 7, p. 98; vol. T 8, p. 249; vol. D 9, p. 290; vol. M 9, p. 614; vol. G 10, p. 398; vol. G 11, p. 512; vol. 298, p. 180; vol. 312, p. 533.

252. SECOND CHURCH, 1838-1935. Merged. Cranbury, Middlesex County.

This church was organized by members of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury (entry 243), as a result of disagreement within that body as to the advisability of constructing a new building. Others wished to enlarge the existing First Church and that was also done. Those who had withdrawn erected and dedicated their own church on June 26, 1868.

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The chapel of the Second Presbyterian Church was replaced in 1869 with a new one, which was used until 1936, as a community house. This building has been razed and there is only a memorial tablet to show the existence of the Second Church. Its members reunited with the First Church in 1935.

The building was a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Joseph W. Blythe was the first pastor serving from 1838 to 1856.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 874.

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Congregational Meeting Records, 1838-1932, 1 vol.; Sessional Records, 1838-1935, 4 vols.; 1838-70, 1 vol.; 1870-97, 1 vol.; 1897-1927, 1 vol.; 1927-35, 1 vol.; Trustee Records, 1885-1931, 2 vols.; 1885-1919, 1 vol.; 1919-31, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, 1838-1935, 4 vols.; 1838-70, 1 vol.; 1870-92, 1 vol.; 1897-1923, 1 vol.; 1923-35, 1 vol.; Marriages, 1869-1923, 2 vols.; 1869-79, 1 vol.; 1923-34, 1 vol.; Deaths, 1930-35, 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1838-1934, 2 vols., in custody of First Presbyterian Church (entry 243).

Record of deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 33, pp. 729, 730; vol. 34, pp. 305-347; vol. 36, pp. 254-283; vol. 74, p. 173; vol. 112, p. 69; vol. 191, p. 173; vol. 206, pp. 138, 139; vol. 300, p. 284; vol. 392, p. 242; vol. 607, p. 554.

253. FIRST CHURCH, 1839--. Garden Street, Mt. Holly, Burlington County.

About 1833, the Rev. John Plotts, a Presbyterian minister living in Princeton, moved to Mount Holly and shortly afterward established a school for boys in the Academy building at Brainard and Buttonwood Streets. He fitted up a room in which he held religious services, until his death in 1839. Inspired by his faithful ministry, the Presbytery of Philadelphia appointed a committee for the purpose of organizing a church in Mount Holly. It was in this room the church was organized in October 1839. Incorporation took place in 1841. Property was purchased from Mr. Benjamin Zelly in 1842. The cornerstone was laid and dedication services held in December of 1845. The church, a frame structure, was completed in 1846. Additional property was purchased in 1843, 1844, 1887, and in 1895. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1887.

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The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture with a tower and bell. The Sunday School annex was built in 1924. The manse located at 213 Broad Street, is owned by the presbytery.

Rev. William R. S. Betts, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1842 to 1845. The present pastor is Rev. Cornelius M. DeBoe, 213 Broad Street.

Forbes, Alexander, A Brief History. Covering history of pastorate of Dr. Robert A. Brotemarkle.

History of Mt. Holly and Vicinity. Copied from newspaper clippings, Mount Holly Herald, March, 1936, by the Deacons of the church. 16 pp.

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Slaughter, William A., John Brainerd and the Presbyterian Church. Mt. Holly Herald, March 7, 1925. Reprinted September 2, 1932.

Woodward, E. M. and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties. Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883.

Session Records, Trustee Records, Congregational Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Financial Records, 1839--., 12 vols., in vault at Farmer's Trust Company, Mt. Holly.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. Z 3, p. 459; vol. K, p. 152; Deeds, vol. D 4, p. 420; vol. E 4, p. 219; vol. R 4, p. 236; vol. 318, p. 360; vol. 319, p. 516.

254. FIRST CHURCH OF MANCHESTER, 1841--. Orchard Street and Union Avenue, Lakehurst (formerly Manchester), Ocean County.

This church was organized in 1841, by a small group of worshipers, who prior to that time had held services in an unused schoolhouse on Church Street. The Torry family donated the site, and a one room structure was erected and dedicated in 1841. Incorporated in 1881, as the First Presbyterian Church of Manchester, progress continued until 1899, when a new church was considered a necessity. As a result, Mr. William Torry presented to the Presbytery of Monmouth a deed to the property on which the present church stands. A building committee was appointed and funds were contributed by members and friends. The new church became a realization and was dedicated in 1902. The old building was used for some time as a recreation hall, and later demolished.

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The church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The manse, a two story frame structure, was erected on adjoining property in 1900. The Sunday School classes are held in the auditorium of the church.

Rev. William E. Schenck, served this church from 1842 to 1845. The present pastor is Rev. William Taylor Dale, 819 Gowdy Avenue, Point Pleasant.

Moore, William, Historical Sketch of the First Presbyterian Church, Lakehurst, New Jersey. In commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Rev. Moore's pastorate, Lakehurst, First Presbyterian Church, 1895 to 1920. 8 pp.

Ocean County Magazine, Toms River, Ocean County Publicity Bureau. Fred C. Bunnell, Director, 1936, II, 2.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 2, p. 157; Deeds, vol. 27, pp. 324, 325; vol. 29, pp. 50-52; vol. 107, pp. 305-308; vol. 199, pp. 305-307; vol. 255, p. 255; vol. 271, pp. 405-408.

255. PLATTSBURG CHURCH, 1844-- . Monmouth Road near Wrightstown Road, Sykesville, Burlington County.

The town of Sykesville was at one time called Plattsburg, from whence the church, organized and incorporated in 1844, received its name. A church site was purchased from Mr. Samuel Pancost in 1844. A church was erected and when organization took place, was used immediately by this congregation. Church services were discontinued in 1919, and the structure has been used as a Sunday School since that time.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Henry R. Hall, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1864 to 1908. This church is now without a pastor.

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Session Records (include Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1844-1919, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1880--, 6 vols.; Financial Records, 1900--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John H. Hutchinson, Clerk, 25 Farnsworth Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Incorporation in Deeds, vol. R 4, p. 190; Deeds, vol. R 4, p. 191.

256. PLUMSTEAD CHURCH, 1846--. Magnolia Avenue, New Egypt, Monmouth County.

In the summer of 1845, a group of friends in New Egypt (formerly Kimmons Mills) met in the office of Mr. James Cowperthwaite, for the purpose of forming a committee which would work toward the organization of a Presbyterian church. This committee formally organized and incorporated in 1846, began to solicit subscriptions and with the pledges secured there was sufficient support to erect a church. The present site was purchased from Mr. James Shimm, and construction started in 1846. Where services, if any, were held in the meantime is not known, but the first service held in the new church was on April 22, 1848. The manse adjoining the church was erected during 1878.

The church is a two story cement structure of no particular type of architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement.

Rev. George C. Bush, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served the church from 1848 to 1850. The present pastor is Rev. William Lloyd Roberts, Magnolia Avenue.

Roberts, William Lloyd, Golden Jubilee of the Plumstead Presbyterian Church of New Egypt, New Jersey. New Egypt, Plumstead Presbyterian Church, 1898. 27 pp.

Roberts, William Lloyd, Sketch of Fiftieth Anniversary of the Church, in Ocean County Magazine, Toms River, Board of Freeholders, 1936, II, 2.

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Record of deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. A 5, pp. 33-36; vol. 630, pp. 198-200; vol. 115, pp. 444-446.

257. CHURCH OF LONG BRANCH, 1847-1855. Closed. Main Street (now Broadway), Long Branch, Monmouth County.

Organized in 1847, the first services of this church were held in temporary quarters. Incorporating in 1848, the members began a building program, which resulted in a completed house of worship the following year. Never very strong, the congregation decreased numerically and the church closed in 1855, some of the members attending the Shrewsbury Church (entry 242). The church property was sold to the Methodist congregation and used by them until 1868, when the building was demolished.

Record of incorporation: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. D, pp. 8, 9.

258. FIRST CHURCH, 1848--. South Street and Virginia Avenue, Manasquan, Monmouth County.

Prior to organization, this congregation worshiped for a short time in the Free Church on the Hill, located on South Street, in turn with other denominations. At the time of organization in 1848, the congregation purchased a site at Main Street and Osborne Avenue and erected a church. This was a frame structure of American Colonial architecture with tower and bell. The congregation incorporated and became known as the Presbyterian Church of Squan Village in 1851. In 1881, property on Virginia Avenue was purchased and the manse, a large Colonial building was erected. The congregation reincorporated in July 1904, and again in September 1904, at which time the church became known as the First Presbyterian Church of Manasquan. The old church was used until 1904. At that time property adjoining the manse was purchased and the cornerstone for the present church laid. The building was completed and dedicated the same year. The old church was then sold to the Congregationalists.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, four spires, bell (which was moved from the old church building), and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement, which is also used for recreational purposes. The manse, at 24 Virginia Avenue, built in 1881, was entirely renovated in 1936.

Rev. Morse Rowell, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1850 to 1856. The present pastor is Rev. Harry Hopkins Hubbell, 24 Virginia Avenue.

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Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. D, pp. 130, 131; change of name, vol. E, pp. 55, 81; Deeds, vol. G 5, pp. 257-261; vol. N 5, pp. 329, 330; vol. 241, pp. 5-8; vol. 336, pp. 292-299.

259. FIRST CHURCH OF BORDENTOWN, 1848--. 416 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, Burlington County.

Services prior to the organization of this church were held in a schoolhouse in Bordentown. At a meeting of the New Brunswick Presbytery at Titusville in April 1848, a petition was presented by Rev. Alden Scovel, principal of a classical school in Bordentown, for the organization of a Presbyterian church. A committee was organized with fifteen members, and incorporation ensued June 28, 1848. Soon after the church was organized, the work of securing a house of worship was undertaken. In 1850, the trustees of the church purchased the present site from Mr. Mahlon Hutchinson, and during that year this church was erected.

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The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with two towers, one surmounted by a spire, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School room is in the rear section of the church. The manse, a two story red brick structure at 433 Farnsworth Avenue, was donated to the church by Mr. Mahlon Hutchinson. The seventy-fifth anniversary of the church was celebrated in 1923, at which time the congregation resolved to thoroughly renovate the church property. That work was completed in 1925. The interior of the church auditorium particularly, is noted for its beauty and dignity.

Rev. Joseph Greenleaf, Jr., a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1866 to 1871. The present pastor is Rev. William A. Guenther, 433 Farnsworth Avenue.

Guenther, William A., Out of the Session Records.
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Bordentown, Bordentown Printing Shop, 1925.

Woodward, E. M., Bordentown and its Environs.
Bordentown, Bordentown Printing Shop, August 31, 1877.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, Sunday School Records, Records of Organizations, and Financial Records), 1848-- , 6 vols., in custody of Mr. O. H. Brown, Clerk, 322 Prince Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 3; Deeds, vol. Y 4, p. 232; vol. 65, p. 200; vol. D 5, p. 573; vol. W 5, p. 187; vol. U 7, p. 228; vol. 210, p. 195; vol. Z 10, p. 409; vol. 307, p. 493; vol. 312, p. 533.

260. SECOND CHURCH OF WALL TOWNSHIP, 1850-1895. Extinct.
Allaire Road, Spring Lake Heights, Monmouth County.

This church was organized in 1850, by residents of Bailey's Corners, Blacinburgh and outlying districts, who had been members of the First Presbyterian Church of Manasquan (entry 258). Incorporation ensued in 1851. Judge Remsen deeded the present site to the congregation in 1852, and was instrumental in the erection of a church building during that year. About 1895, interest seemed to have waned, and that, added to the fact that the pastor refused to preach at Wall Township, resulted in the abandonment of the church. Very soon afterward, the church was destroyed by fire, and the few remaining members again attended the Presbyterian Church of Manasquan.

The church was a plain frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows. Sunday School classes met for religious instruction in the main auditorium.

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Rev. Morse Rowell, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church when it was first organized and just how long he remained cannot be ascertained.

Record of incorporation and deed: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. D, p. 132; Deeds, vol. T 5, pp. 76, 78.

261. TOMS RIVER CHURCH, 1851--. Washington and Horner Streets, Toms River, Ocean County.

About 1850, a movement to organize a Presbyterian church in this locality was begun under rather peculiar circumstances. Mr. William Torry of Manchester aroused interest by submitting the plans for a church, providing the builder and the lumber, and soliciting funds from Toms River, New York and Trenton. The present site was presented to the congregation which had organized in 1851, by Messrs. Edward Allen, George Cornelius and their wives, joint owners. Incorporation ensued in 1852. The cornerstone was laid in 1853, but work progressed slowly due to dissipation of original funds and the determination to proceed only as the funds were collected. Mr. Torry came to the aid of the congregation again, by offering eighty acres of his own land for sale, to satisfy a mortgage. Finally, in 1857, the church was completed. Dedication services were held in 1858. The Sunday School was organized in September 1858.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture with a spire, bell, clock, and cathedral windows. About 1906, the interior of the church was remodeled and at the same time, Mrs. Selah S. Aumack purchased the Col. William Imlay James' Home, 20 Clifton Avenue, adjoining the church on the east, and presented it to the church as the manse.

Rev. John H. Frazee served this church from 1861 to 1864. The present pastor is Rev. Ira Evens Hicks, 20 Clifton Avenue.

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Edwards, C. T., Some Account of the Presbyterian Church of Toms River, New Jersey. Toms River, New Jersey Courier, 1885. 47 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. I, p. 16; Deeds, vol. 4, pp. 124-126; vol. 16, pp. 142-144; vol. 16, pp. 163-165; vol. 301, pp. 47-50.

262. FIRST CHURCH, 1852-- . Broad Street and Reckless Place, Red Bank, Monmouth County.

This church was organized in 1852, by about 80 persons, 28 of whom were attending the Presbyterian Church of Shrewsbury (entry 242). First services were held at the Forum in Red Bank. In 1855, after incorporation, property was purchased at the corner of Broad and Wallace Streets. The church was erected and dedicated in 1856. A reorganization of Trustees took place July 27, 1864. In 1910, this building was considered too small and a new site was purchased at Broad Street and Reckless Place. A new church was erected and dedicated in 1912, the old property being sold to the Fidelity Trust Company of Newark. During the time of construction, services continued to be held in the old church.

The present church is a grey granite structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in a part of the church designated as the chapel. The manse located at 15 Reckless Place was purchased in 1920.

Rev. F. Reck Harbaugh, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1853 to 1854. The present pastor is Rev. John Alexander Hayes, 15 Reckless Place.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, R. T. Peck, 1885, p. 602.

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Session Records (contain Sunday School Records), 1881-1922, 1938-- , 5 vols.; 1881-1922, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1939-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Fredericks, Clerk, 139 Hudson Avenue. Trustee Records, 1918-29, 1935-37, 5 vols.; 1918-29, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1935-37, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harry C. F. Worden, Custodian, 63 East Front Street. Minutes of First Presbyterian Church (include Congregational meetings previous to 1863, and Treasurer's Annual Reports from 1860-88, Congregational Meetings and Reports), 1860-1907, 1904-18, 2 vols.; Women's Missionary Society Records,

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1932-36, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Financial Records, 1909--, 1 vol.; 1 file drawer, in custody of Mr. Alexander D. Cooper, Treasurer, 19 Monmouth Street.

Record of incorporation, change in number of trustees, and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. E, p. 24; vol. E, pp. 214, 215; Deeds, vol. D 6, pp. 156-158; vol. 879, pp. 178-180.

263. FIRST CHURCH, 1853--. East Warren Street, Beverly, Burlington County.

From 1853, the year this church was organized and incorporated until 1873, services for this congregation were held in an old frame building on Cooper Street. In these twenty years the congregation increased and the need for a larger church was recognized. The present site was purchased and the cornerstone for a new church was laid in September 1873; the church erected and dedicated in December of the same year. Three years later a Sunday School building was erected, and in 1894, the manse adjoining the church was built.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, belfry with Westminster chimes, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Charles E. Boyter, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1853 to 1859. The present pastor is Rev. James H. Rendall, East Warren Street.

Wilson, Jacob, Semi-Centennial of the Presbyterian Church of Beverly, 1853-1903. Beverly, The Bertran Bryan Company, 1903. 38 pp.

Woodward, E. M., and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883.

Session Records (include Trustee and Financial Records), 1853--, 4 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1853--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Service League Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Warren A. Brown, Secretary, Park Avenue, Edgewater Park. Records of Grace Chapel, Beverly (entry 298), incorporated with records of this church.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 63; Deeds, vol. Y 5, p. 367; vol. Y 9, p. 170; vol. 68, p. 492; vol. V 11, p. 300; vol. 305, p. 202; vol. 308, p. 481.

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264. JAMESBURG CHURCH, 1853--. Church Street and Gatzmer Avenue, Jamesburg, Middlesex County.

The early Presbyterian services in Jamesburg were infrequent and a number of families attended services at the First Church in Cranbury (entry 243). In 1847, Mr. James Buckelew built the second schoolhouse on what is now a part of the church property at Jamesburg. A room in the school was partitioned off for church services conducted by various pastors. In 1853, funds were subscribed for the erection of a church. At a meeting of subscribers, trustees were elected and a petition was sent to the Presbytery of New Brunswick for permission to organize a church in this community. Permission was granted, organization and incorporation ensued.

A church site was given by Mr. James Buckelew and erection of a church was started with the cornerstone laid September 7, 1853. The church was completed and dedicated June 26, 1854. The manse, a plain frame building adjacent to the church, was purchased in 1864. The church was renovated and enlarged in 1867, and rededicated in 1868. In 1871, a lecture room and Sunday School room were added. An addition to the rear of the church, containing meeting rooms for the church organizations, and a kitchen, was a gift of Mrs. Mary Townsend Buckelew Helme, of New York City, in memory of her parents. Additional property on Gatzmer Avenue was given by the Buckelew and Davison heirs in 1885.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. J. Halstead Carroll, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1855 to 1858. The present pastor is Rev. Andrew S. Layman, Church Street.

Centennial and Historical Exercises at Jamesburg, New Jersey, 1876. Philadelphia, Allen, Lane, and Scott's Printing House, 1876. 22 pp.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 809.

Everitt, B. S., History of the Presbyterian Church of Jamesburg, New Jersey. Philadelphia, Allen, Lane, and Scott's Printing House, 1876. 22 pp.

Session Records, 1854--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1853--, 3 vols., in custody of the First National Bank. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1854--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1923--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Frederick Perrine, Secretary, Gatzmer Avenue. Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Doris Blakeslee, Secretary, Grace Hill Road, Monroe Township.

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Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Julia Dey, Secretary, Gatzmer Avenue. Financial Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Johnson, Treasurer, Englishtown Road, Monroe Township.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 104; Deeds, vol. 61, p. 635; vol. 71, p. 638; vol. 94, p. 675; vol. 203, p. 504; vol. 204, p. 179.

265. FIRST CHURCH, 1856--. Main Road, Cream Ridge, Monmouth County.

Residents of Cream Ridge attending services at the Allentown Church, Allentown (entry 240), desiring to have a house of worship nearer their locale, organized and incorporated this church in 1856. First services were held in the Cream Ridge schoolhouse and continued there until a church was erected in 1857. Mr. Daniel Tilton donated property, the present site. Funds for the building of the church were raised by the congregation. This church was a frame structure of meeting house architecture, and was used until 1901, at which time it was destroyed by fire. Services were then held in the residence of Mrs. Forman Coward, directly opposite the school property, until a new church was built on the same site in 1910. The congregation reincorporated the same year.

The present building is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows.

Rev. H. B. Witherow, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1864 to 1869. At present the pulpit is being supplied by students from Princeton Theological Seminary.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, II, 425.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1856--, 6 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1856--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Henderson, Clerk and Superintendent, Imlaystown. Financial Records, 1856--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Meirs, Custodian, Cream Ridge.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 24; vol. G, pp. 74, 75; Deeds, vol. 170, pp. 435, 436; vol. 396, pp. 487, 488; vol. 252, pp. 45-49; vol. 630, pp. 198-200.

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266. MANALAPAN CHURCH, 1856--. Star Route, Highway #33, Manalapan, Monmouth County.

A Sunday School was organized in Manalapan, an Indian name meaning "good corn ground", in 1853. Mr. John Van Doren was superintendent of the Sunday School and the classes were conducted in Bergen Mills schoolhouse. A public meeting was held at the school in 1855, to organize and consider the building of a church. Enough money was subscribed to purchase property, the present site, from Mr. Cornelius Hope, Jr. A church was erected, dedicated, and incorporated in 1856. In 1857, title to a tract of twenty-five acres was acquired through Mr. Cornelius Hope and his wife. This property lies directly back of the church and the Hope homestead which stood on it was remodeled and serves as the manse. Subsequent sales of land have reduced this to about twelve acres.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry, bell and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the basement.

Rev. John Leslie Kehoo, a graduate of Union College, New York, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1857 to 1874. The Manalapan and First Church at Perrineville, Millstone Township (entry 246) hold combined services and have the same pastor, Rev. Earl L. Fritz of Freehold.

Fisher, Charles Allen, A History of the Presbyterian Church of Manalapan. In celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary. Cranbury, G. W. Burroughs, 1906. 16 pp.

Forman, Peter, A History of the Presbyterian Church of Manalapan, New Jersey. Jamesburg, The Frank B. Jolley Press, November 5, 1931. 11 pp.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, p. 438.

Records of Manalapan Church, Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths), 1855-90, 1 vol.; Session Records (contain Registers of Pastors, Elders, Deacons, Members, Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths), 1855-90, 1 vol., in custody of Monmouth County Historical Society, Freehold. Session Records (contain Baptisms, Marriages, Births, and Deaths), 1909--, 1 vol.; Record of Manalapan Congregational Meetings, 1855--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Mount, Secretary, Jamesburg. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Eleanor B. Hendrickson, Treasurer, Hightstown Road. Missionary Society Records (joint records of Manalapan and Perrineville Churches), 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Vincent C. McKnight,

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Secretary, R. F. D. #3, Freehold. Christian Endeavor Society Records (joint records of Manalapan and Perrineville Churches), 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mildred Roberts, Secretary, Freehold.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 27; Deeds, vol. T 6, pp. 71-74; vol. 145, pp. 105, 106.

267. FIRST CHURCH, 1857--. North Main Street, Hightstown, Mercer County.

This church was organized in 1857, by Presbyterians living in this locality. First services, from 1857 to 1858, were held in Dawes Hall on the corner of South Main and Mercer Streets. The present site was purchased from Mr. Benjamin Reed in 1858, and a frame church erected and dedicated during that year. Incorporation ensued in 1867. Additional property was purchased in 1864, 1874, 1881, and 1928. The chapel and Sunday School adjoining the church were erected in 1871, on land purchased in 1864. In 1930, a fire destroyed the church and an exact duplicate was erected in 1931. The manse erected about 1881, at 319 North Main Street, was rebuilt in 1939.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial type of architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Rufus Taylor, a graduate of Amherst College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1857 to 1862. The present pastor is Rev. Stanley K. Gambell, 319 North Main Street.

Letters, programs, and notes collected by the Rev. Thomas Tyack, 1888 to 1938, are in his possession at his residence on Stockton Street.

Session Records, 1915--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Benjamin F. Eby, Clerk, 306 Stockton Street. Trustee Records, 1931, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Clarence S. Puglin, Secretary, 425 Stockton Street. Sunday School Records, 1935--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Paul Nan, Secretary, Cranbury-Hightstown Road. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Loren Jemison, Secretary, York Road. Missionary Society Records, 1888--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Charles Bowers, Secretary, York Road. The Amaranth Society Records, 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles Harris, Secretary, 251 Stockton Street. Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1887--, 6 vols., in custody of Miss Jane Wright, Secretary, 220 Stockton Street. The College Department Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Frances Bowers, Secretary, York Road. Financial Records, 1931--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Hugh Logan, Treasurer, 602 Stockton Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 29; Deeds, vol. 41, p. 579; vol. 58, p. 445; vol. 104, p. 327; vol. 129, p. 255; vol. 643, p. 29.

268. FORKED RIVER CHURCH, 1857--. Atlantic City Boulevard, Forked River, Ocean County.

Originally organized as the Presbyterian Society of Forked River and vicinity, the members of this church incorporated as the Presbyterian Church of Forked River, and purchased a building erected by the Baptists at Cedar Creek in 1857. Services were conducted in this building until the congregation reincorporated in 1865, and moved their building to the present site at Forked River, donated by Mr. James Jones. This was a one room frame structure with a belfry. A bell was purchased in 1880. Reorganization took place in 1873, and in 1907 the congregation reincorporated as the Forked River Presbyterian Church at Forked River. In 1930, the church was destroyed when a forest fire swept through this section. A new church was erected on the same site, completed and dedicated in 1931. During the erection of the new building, services were held in the Methodist Church a short distance away. The Sunday School has its classrooms on the south side of the church.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a spire, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James M. Denton, a graduate of New York University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1873 to 1882. The present pastor is Rev. Leroy Y. Dillener, Barnegat.

Salter, Edwin, History of Ocean and Monmouth Counties, Bayonne, E. Gardner and Son, 1890, pp. 394-398.

Session Records (contain Trustee Records, Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1873--, 4 vols.; 1873-82, 1 vol.; 1882-1921, 1 vol.; 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Russell T. Winans, Clerk, Atlantic City Boulevard. Sunday School Records, 1920--, 4 vols.; Financial Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Malcolm Dunn, Financial Secretary, State Game Farm, Atlantic City Boulevard.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 1, p. 120; vol. 2, pp. 150, 151; Deeds, vol. 32, pp. 496-498; vol. 99, pp. 291-293.

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269. FIRST CHURCH, 1859--. Main and Marine Streets,
Tuckerton, Ocean County.

A group of persons comprised chiefly of seceding members of the Methodist Episcopal Church organized this church in 1859. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sapp donated property for the church and manse which were erected in 1859. The manse is a frame structure adjoining the church. In 1883, the Civic Club of Tuckerton donated a sum of money to the church, which was used for an addition on the north side of the building and for furnishings. Incorporation took place in 1898.

The church is a frame structure of early American architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School room occupies the entire width of the building.

Rev. Samuel Rutherford Anderson, a graduate of the University of Michigan, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1869 to 1875. The present pastor is Rev. Elias M. Gehr, Main and Marine Streets.

Session Records, 1912--, 1 vol.; Trustee Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Joseph H. McConomy, Clerk, 10 Church Street. Record of Baptisms and Marriages, 1859--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Van Doran, Secretary-Treasurer, Atlantic City. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. L. T. Blackman, President, Clay Street. Financial Records, 1917--, 3 vols.; 1917-19, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Horace Horner, Treasurer, Main Street; 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. L. T. Blackman, Financial Secretary, Clay Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 226; Deeds, vol. H 6, p. 595.

270. FIRST CHURCH, 1860--. North Main Street, Englishtown,
Monmouth County.

Organized as a branch of Old Tennent Church, Freehold (entry 241), in 1860; incorporation took place the same year. The present site was purchased from Catherine Polhemus in 1860. A church was erected and dedicated in 1863. The first pastors were supplied by Old Tennent until 1874, when the church became self-sustaining.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. A site at the northwest corner of Main and Center Streets for a manse was donated by John Laird in 1880.

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Rev. J. Livingstone Smith, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1872 to 1884. The present pastor is Rev. John A. Christensen, Main and Center Streets.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1922, p. 456.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1863--, 3 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1863--, 8 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Johnetta Voorhees, Secretary, Railroad Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 58; Deeds, vol. 152, pp. 346, 347; vol. 317, pp. 472-474; vol. 1085, pp. 37, 38.

271. HOLMANVILLE CHURCH, 1860--. New Egypt-Lakewood Road, Holmanville, Ocean County.

In 1847, a deed was given by Mr. William Holman, whereby land was to be held in trust, providing that a Presbyterian church be built upon this site. Whether this was done many years before or not, cannot be learned. However, when this congregation organized, a church had been built and was at that time used by the Methodists. When the Presbyterians took possession in 1860, the Methodists held their services in the old schoolhouse. In 1861, incorporation took place; and in 1883, Mr. D. E. Darrow deeded property in the rear of the church to the Presbyterians to be used as a cemetery. In 1888, when Hope Church, Lakewood (entry 295), was organized, a group from Holmanville united with them.

The church is a stuccoed structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a steeple, bell, and large plain windows.

Rev. Isaac Todd, a graduate of Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1860 to 1884. The present pastor is Rev. William Taylor Dale, 815 Gowdy Avenue, Point Pleasant.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, Financial Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1860--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James D. Holman, Clerk, Whitesville. Sunday School Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Johnson, Superintendent, Whitesville. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Otto Hansen, Treasurer, New Egypt Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 1, p. 111; Deeds, vol. 121, pp. 301-303; vol. 139, pp. 110-113; vol. 478, pp. 161-163; vol. 572, pp. 189, 190.

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272. FIRST CHURCH, 1861--. 12 East River Road, Rumson
(formerly Port Washington and Oceanic), Monmouth County.

For more than twenty years prior to 1861, services were held for public worship at irregular intervals. Residents of this vicinity who were interested in organizing a Presbyterian church, were given permission to use a church on Bingham Avenue which had been erected in 1839, by a Mr. Hunt, Hotel-keeper of Rumson, for the convenience of his guests, where they were known as the First Presbyterian Church of Port Washington. This congregation incorporated in 1875, as the First Presbyterian Church of Oceanic, New Jersey. In 1885, the present site was donated by Mr. Ehrick Parmly of Rumson. Funds for the construction of a new church were raised by subscription, and in 1886 it was completed and dedicated. When the borough was organized as Rumson, the church became known as the First Presbyterian Church of Rumson. A site for a manse on River Road was donated by Mr. Ehrick Parmly in 1901, and a dwelling erected, funds for the building of which were raised by subscriptions in 1902. Additional property was donated to the church by the Parmly and Maitland families in 1914 and 1917.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room on the west side of the church.

Rev. A. B. King, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and Princeton University, served this church from 1861 to 1862. The present pastor is Rev. William Calvin Colby, River Road, Rumson.

Colby, William Calvin, Historical Address, in Red Bank Register on the dedication of the Parmly Memorial Window. Red Bank, April 1935.

Colby, William Calvin, Historical Discourse, in Red Bank Register on the dedication of Rev. A. A. McKay Memorial Window. Red Bank, June 21, 1911.

Session Records (contain Trustee Records and Financial Records), 1861-1922, 12 vols., in custody of the pastor, and kept in Sea Bright National Bank. Ladies' Aid Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Will Ward, Secretary, 5 Forrest Avenue. Financial Records (contain Trustee Records), 1922--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Ernest A. Turner, Treasurer, 10 Parker Avenue, West Long Branch.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, pp. 164, 165; Deeds, vol. 396, pp. 211-213; vol. 678, pp. 170-173; vol. 672, pp. 379-381; vol. 984, pp. 199-201; vol. 1048, pp. 405-407.

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273. FIRST CHURCH OF NEW GRETN, 1861--. New Gretna and Chatsworth Road, New Gretna, Burlington County.

As early as 1850, a Mr. Brown and a Mr. Semour suggested the building of a Presbyterian church for the residents of Bass River, now New Gretna. Immediately, the present site was purchased from Mr. Joseph Cramer, and in 1852, a church was erected. Dedication services were held five years later as the church was not quite completed and required painting. This church was reorganized and incorporated in 1861. Additional property was willed to the church by Mr. Henry Budd during the same year, and the church was enlarged.

The church is a one story frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a bell and cathedral windows.

Rev. K. P. Ketchom served this church from 1861 to 1863. At present, student pastors are supplied by Princeton Theological Seminary.

The Early Presbyterians of New Jersey, Woodbury, New Jersey, The Constitution and Farmers Mechanics Advertiser, September 3, 1850. In custody of Mrs. Joshua Hillard, Manahawken, New Jersey.

Woodward, E. M. and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 129.

Session Records (include Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Sunday School Records), 1904--, 6 vols.; Trustee Records, 1911--, 1 vol.; Mite Society Records, 1901--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Mathis, Treasurer, Box 58, New Gretna.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, pp. 161-192; vol. G, p. 1; Deeds, vol. A 5, p. 238; vol. V 11, pp. 437-440; vol. 324, p. 107.

274. ST. JOHN'S GERMAN CHURCH, 1862--. 174 Main Street, Sayreville, Middlesex County.

The early history of this congregation goes back to 1860. Then a Rev. Mr. Lohr, who died in 1907 while in missionary service in India, and later Rev. Karl Bank, pastors of the German Reformed Church in New Brunswick, came periodically to Wood's Landing (now Sayreville) to preach the Gospel in the German language. During the spring of 1862, Mr. Peter Fisher and Mr. John Conger, met the Rev. Benjamin Everitt, D. D., pastor of Jamesburg Presbyterian Church, and called his attention to the many Germans who had settled in Sayreville. Dr. Everitt called on the German Theological Seminary at Bloomfield, New Jersey, with the Macedonian cry "Come over to Sayreville and help

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us". Candidates in Theology, Mr. T. Sommer and Mr. William Baesler, answered the call. For eight Sundays services were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and then the congregation worshiped in the schoolhouse on the hill back of the church.

On October 29, 1862, Rev. Mr. Taylor, Rev. Benjamin Everitt, and two elders were appointed a committee by the Monmouth Presbytery to this church, the "Erste Deutsche Presbyterian Kirch Zu Sayreville, New Jersey". There were twenty-five charter members and services were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church and in the old schoolhouse in the rear of the church. Incorporation ensued in 1883, and a site at 454-456 Main Street was given to the congregation by Mr. H. McMurray. The church was erected and dedicated the same year. The Sayre and Fisher Company also gave land adjoining the church upon which a manse was erected in 1891. In 1896, the Sayre and Fisher Company bought the first manse and exchanged property upon which the church was built, for property at 174 Main Street, where the present church with three auditoriums, and manse adjoining the church were erected and dedicated in 1896. In 1913, the Sunday School auditorium was enlarged and a new organ installed in memory of Mr. James R. Sayre of Newark, New Jersey.

The present church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, chimes, and cathedral windows.

Rev. William Baesler, a graduate of German Theological Seminary, served this church from 1882 to 1885. The present pastor is Rev. Gottlieb Ruesch, 174 Main Street.

Quaid, John J., A Marvelous Evolution and Forty-Fifth Anniversary, Sayreville, Boro of Sayreville, 1926, p. 8.

Session Records, 1882--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1882--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Hans Jensen, Secretary, 145 Hillside Avenue, South River. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1883--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. August Molteg, Secretary, 30 Little Broadway. All records written in German.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 106; Deeds, vol. 195, p. 500; vol. 248, p. 342; vol. 287, pp. 427, 492; vol. 538, p. 53.

275. PROVIDENCE CHURCH OF BUSTLETON, 1863--. Old York and Bustleton Road, Bustleton, Florence Township, Burlington County.

As early as 1859, a tract of land on the corner of Old York and Bustleton Road was donated by Mrs. Sarah Zelly to be used as a church

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site by Presbyterians for their church and Sunday School services. Rev. John Chester of Burlington, held services in the shade of the large old trees. In the fall of 1863, a church was erected; dedication services took place in December of that year. The congregation incorporated in 1864. The church was used until 1878, at which time it was moved back from the road to make room for the new church, erected during that year, and is now used as a social hall. The building of this church was made possible by Rev. Louis Rodman Fox, who donated it to the congregation, and gave a year of fruitful labor at no cost to the congregation. In 1888, a committee was appointed to solicit funds for a manse. Generous contributions were made, and the manse was erected between the church and the social hall in the same year.

The present church, erected and dedicated in 1878, is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The Sunday School room is located in the rear of the church.

Rev. Amaso Lewis Hyde, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1888 to 1890. The present pastor is Rev. W. David Glenn, Old York and Bustleton Road.

Woodward, E. M. and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883.

Session Records (include Trustee Records, Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Deaths, and Financial Records), 1865--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Byron Carty, Elder of Church, Bustleton Road, R. F. D. #1, Burlington. Sunday School Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Edgar Harris, Superintendent, R. F. D. #1, Burlington. Missionary Society Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harry Wood, Treasurer, R. F. D. #1, Burlington. Bible Study Class Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Sarah Hoover, Secretary and Treasurer, R. F. D. #1, Burlington.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 204; Deeds, vol. Z 6, p. 571; vol. Z 9, p. 29; vol. W 11, pp. 529-532.

276. FIRST CHURCH, 1864--. North Broadway and Church Street, South Amboy, Middlesex County.

Prior to 1864, Rev. G. C. Bush and others endeavored to establish a Presbyterian church in South Amboy but were unsuccessful. Finally, with a membership of ten persons this church was organized. Incorporation took place in 1865. The old Union Chapel at North Broadway and Main Street was used as a temporary house of worship. The present church site was donated by the Camden and Amboy Railroad Company upon which the present church was erected and dedicated in 1868.

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The church is a brick structure of early American architecture with a tower containing clock and bell, and windows of multicolored glass. The manse, a large frame dwelling, was erected on the property adjacent to the church in 1896.

Rev. W. C. Westervelt, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1865 to 1870. The present pastor is Rev. Charles F. Van Horn, 140 North Broadway.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 836.

Session Records, 1864--, 5 vols.; Trustee Records (contain Financial Records), 4 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1864--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1904--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Hazel Breitner, Secretary, 259 Main Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1895--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. John L. Applegate, Secretary, Upper Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, pp. 180, 181; Deeds, vol. 101, p. 674; vol. 688, p. 37.

277. ATSION CHURCH, 1867-1869. Extinct. Atsion, Burlington County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1867. The church site was donated by Mr. Joseph E. Worton. Between 1867 and 1869, fire destroyed the church and records.

The church was a one story frame structure of Colonial type of architecture, with cathedral windows.

Record of incorporation: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 253.

278. FAIRVIEW CHURCH, 1868-1893. Closed. Route 25, West of Bridgeboro, Burlington, Burlington County.

Early services during the winter months in 1867, were conducted in the residence of Mr. John Cooper on Route 25, and in the following summer, in the front yard of the old Denning Mansion on Route 25. That year a building committee was appointed. The present location was decided upon, and a site was purchased from Mr. William Hyde. The cornerstone was laid and the church erected and dedicated in 1868. Incorporation ensued the same year. The Sunday School was organized by Mr. Benjamin Hunt in 1867. The expense of maintaining the church proved to be too great, so the church closed in 1893. The church

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was given to the Delanco Methodist Church of Riverside. In 1894, the building was moved to Riverside and is now a part of the Riverside Methodist Church at Washington Avenue and Spring Garden Street. The site was then purchased by Mr. Henry Fisher in 1895.

The church was a one story frame building of no particular type of architecture.

Rev. M. L. Hufford, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1867 to 1875.

Woodward, E. M. and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 836.

Record of incorporation and deed: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 257; Deeds, vol. V 7, p. 547.

279. FIRST CHURCH, 1868--. Clifton Avenue and Third Street, Lakewood, Ocean County.

Induced to undertake the organization of a Presbyterian church at Bricksburg (now Lakewood), Rev. Alfred H. Dashiell, pastor of the Congregational Church in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, arrived here in 1867. In less than a year there were sufficient members to constitute a church. At first, they worshiped in the same building as the Episcopalians, at Clifton and First Streets, where the Baptist Church now stands. The congregation was incorporated in 1868, and the following year, a church site was donated by the Bricksburg Land and Improvement Company. In 1870, a chapel was erected and used until 1884, when sufficient funds were raised for the completion of the church originally planned. It was dedicated February 18th that year. The pastors resided in privately owned homes until 1900, when a manse was built at 313 Third Street.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Alfred Henry Dashiell served this church from 1868 to 1888. The present pastor is Rev. Albert H. Manus, 313 Third Street.

The Church Book, 1868-1928. Lakewood, First Presbyterian Church, 1928. 69 pp.

Session Records (include Financial Records), 1868--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records, 1868--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1868--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William J. Morrison, Clerk, Central Avenue. Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ardis Guice, Secretary, Park Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. I, p. 209; Deeds, vol. 57, pp. 219-222; vol. 115, pp. 365-367; vol. 864, pp. 107-111.

280. PIERCE MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1870--. 42 Main Street, Farmingdale, Monmouth County.

Rev. Epaminondas J. Pierce, who settled in Farmingdale after completing missionary work in Africa, was instrumental in organizing this church. The need of a church in this locality was openly pressed by the people. As a result the Presbytery of Monmouth, after due deliberation, authorized this organization in 1870. Early services were conducted in Brower's Tavern, on the site now occupied by the American Hotel on Railroad Avenue, and in a schoolhouse, owned by Mr. Richard Corlies. This was moved to his property at 55 Main Street, to be used by the congregation.

In 1870, a site two blocks west of the present site was purchased from Mr. William Goodenough, and a frame church was erected that year. It was called the First Presbyterian Church of Farmingdale, and incorporated as such in 1871. In 1895, the church was razed, and a new church and manse erected on the same site. The manse is a memorial to Rev. Epaminondas J. Pierce, the funds for its erection provided from his estate by Lincoln University, his sole legatee. During construction, services were held in Town Hall. The church was used until 1918, when the building was destroyed by fire. Services were again held in the Town Hall and in the manse until the erection of the present church. The manse and church property were sold to the Presbytery of Monmouth in 1923, and the present site was purchased. A new church and adjoining manse were erected in 1923. Reincorporation then ensued and the name of the church was changed to Pierce Memorial Presbyterian Church in memory of Rev. Mr. Pierce. The Oak Glen Church (entry 299) operates as a chapel of this church.

The present church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes and social affairs are conducted in the basement.

Rev. Epaminondas J. Pierce, a graduate of Dartmouth College, and the Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1872 to 1892. The present pastor is Rev. Frank B. Everitt, Main Street.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, R. T. Peck, 1885, p. 847.

Newspaper Clipping in Asbury Park Press. Asbury Park, June 11, 1936.

Session Records (contain all church records, Sunday School Records, Financial Records, and records of Oak Glen Church entry 299),

1870-1921, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. A. Rulon Applegate, Clerk, 16 Asbury Avenue. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. A. Rulon Applegate, Treasurer, 16 Asbury Avenue. Ladies' Circle Society Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Henry Strum, Secretary, 47 Main Street.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 140; vol. L, p. 202; Deeds, vol. 1873, pp. 496-498; vol. 1229, pp. 424-426; vol. 1731, pp. 30, 31.

281. JACKSONVILLE CHURCH, 1871--. Jacksonville Road
Jacksonville, Burlington County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1871. The first trustees were the Messrs. John Scott, Richard Johnson, and John F. Gamett, all of Jacksonville. A church was erected for this congregation, the exact date unknown.

The church is a small frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a steeple, bell, and plain windows.

The first pastor of this church was supply pastor from the Providence Church of Bustleton (entry 275). The present pastor is Rev. William David Glenn, Old York and Bustleton Road, Providence.

Woodward, E. M. and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 446.

Session Records (contain Trustee Records), 1934--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1934--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Morris Robbins, Elder and Custodian, Jacksonville Road. Women's Missionary Society Records (a combined organization of Jacksonville and Providence Church), 1894--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Richard E. Parkes, Secretary, R. F. D., Bustleton.

Record of incorporation and deed: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 301; Deeds, vol. L 8, p. 558.

282. FIRST CHURCH OF DELANCO, 1872--. Popular Street and
Union Avenue, Delanco, Burlington County.

Preliminary services were held in one of the old schoolhouses by this congregation, which organized and incorporated in 1872. The present site was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Amos Pine of Blackwood, and a church was erected and dedicated in 1873.

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The church is a one story frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. The Sunday School, organized at the same time as the church, is a one story stucco addition, erected on land purchased in 1873, and dedicated in 1905. The manse is adjacent to the church and is owned by the presbytery.

Rev. E. L. Hofferd served this church from 1872 to 1876. The present pastor is Rev. J. Clayton Lime, 510 Popular Street.

Woodward, E. M, and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, Sunday School Records, and Financial Records), 1872--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Chatteron, Clerk, 221 Walnut Street. Trustee Records, 1872--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Herman C. Evans, Secretary, 519 Popular Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Lester Sterling, Secretary, Pennsylvania Avenue. Ladies' Bible Class Records, 1915--, 6 vols.; 1915-27, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Richard Stevens, Secretary, 307 Edgewood Avenue; 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. M. C. Johnson, Secretary, 712 Hickory Street. Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. M. C. Johnson, Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deed; Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. A, p. 314; Deeds, vol. R 8, p. 165.

283. FIRST CHURCH, 1873--. 74 Broad Street, Eatontown, Monmouth County.

Prior to organization this group held services in the old public school building on Wyckoff Road. About 1867, a small building was erected on the same street, the property being owned by Mrs. Margaret Dangler, a member of the congregation. The church was organized in 1873, as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Shrewsbury (entry 242). Directly after organization a building was erected on the present site, which was owned by the Shrewsbury Church.

Twenty years later the old building was moved to the rear of the church and housed the Sunday School. Recognized as a self-sustaining congregation in 1927, the presbytery permitted the establishment as such. The following year incorporation was effected; and in 1929, the house at 49 Broad Street, occupied by the pastor, was purchased from the Stevens estate. At present it is rented, and the pastor has his own residence at 218 Norwood Avenue, Avon.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry and cathedral windows. When the "Little Church

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"Around the Corner" in New York was being remodeled, all the pews and the trimming, inside and outside, were obtained and used in this church.

Rev. Thaddeus Wilson, a graduate of Amherst College, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1873 to 1897. The present pastor is Rev. William J. MacDonald, 218 Norwood Avenue, Avon.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, R. T. Peck, 1885, p. 880.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1922, p. 499.

Session Records, 1908--, 3 vols.; 1908-27, 2 vols., in custody of the Rev. George H. Miksch, pastor of the Shrewsbury Church; 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Carl Whitehurst, Clerk, 661 Morford Avenue, Long Branch. Trustee Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Percy Dangler, Secretary, 12 Clinton Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1873-1927, 2 vols.; 1873-1927, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor of Shrewsbury Church; 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Carl Whitehurst, Superintendent. Gleaners Society Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Eustace White, Treasurer, 188 South Street. Financial Records, 1927--, 2 vols., in custody of Dr. Sidney J. Martin, Treasurer, 78 Broad Street.

Record of incorporation: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. P, pp. 147, 148.

284. WHITINGS CHURCH, 1875-1903. Closed. Franklin Street, Whitings, Ocean County.

Little is known of the early history of this church which was organized and incorporated in 1875. It is known, however, that property on Franklin Street was donated by Mr. Benjamin F. Errington and that a brick church was erected by popular subscription in 1876, the townspeople donating time and materials for its construction. Because of the removal of many of its members and the consequent lack of support, services were discontinued, and the building sold to St. John's Methodist Church in 1903.

This church is a brick structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Brief notations in the New Jersey Courier, Toms River, September 21, 1876 and April 20-26, 1876.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 2, p. 32; Deeds, vol. 83, p. 182; vol. 171, p. 73; vol. 287, p. 57.

285. WRIGHT MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1876--. South Main Street, Barnegat, Ocean County.

This church was incorporated as the Presbyterian Church of Barnegat in 1876. In 1877, the Town Hall, a building used as a private school for girls in Barnegat was purchased and dedicated by this congregation. Services were held here prior to the purchase. The Hall, a frame structure, was remodeled to meeting house type of architecture with large belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room in the rear of the church proper. The manse was erected on property adjoining the church. In 1924, the name was changed to Wright Memorial Church in honor of the thirty year pastorate of Rev. Orville W. Wright.

Rev. James M. Denton, a graduate of New York University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1876 to 1881. The present pastor is Rev. LeRoy Y. Dillener, South Main Street.

Presbyterian Church of Barnegat, Toms River, New Jersey Courier, August 23, 1877, p. 3; September 13, 1877, p. 3; November 29, 1877, p. 3.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1876--, 2 vols.; 1876-1930, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor; 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. V. D. Bachman, Secretary, Brookville. Trustee Records, 1876--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Cornelius Van Vorst, Secretary, East Bay Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1876, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 2, p. 35; vol. 4, p. 22; Deeds, vol. 102, pp. 45-48; vol. 83, pp. 18-21; vol. 92, pp. 250-255.

286. CALVARY CHURCH, 1877--. Fourth Street and Lippincott Avenue, Riverton, Burlington County.

This congregation was organized and incorporated as early as 1874; but it was not until 1877, that formal organization took place, and then only with seven trustees. First services were held in the public school in Riverton. In 1877, the present site was purchased from Mr. Edward Lippincott. The first church, a frame structure of semi-Gothic architecture, was erected by Mr. James Wilson of Burlington in 1877, and dedicated in 1879.

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The second and present church is of greystone, Gothic in architecture, with a tower, large bell, and cathedral windows. The nave, supported by oak beams in Gothic arches, is a part of the original church that was never torn down. In the front of the church are the Sunday School rooms, separated from the church proper by folding doors, which when thrown open, make possible a large church auditorium. The basement affords a basketball court, recreation hall, kitchen, and ladies' parlor, where various organizations meet. The church was dedicated October 23, 1927. The manse, located at 213 Lippincott Avenue, was erected in 1910.

Rev. John R. Sanson, served this church from 1883 to 1886. The present pastor is Rev. Charles T. Bates, 213 Lippincott Avenue.

Historical Sketch in The New Era, Riverton, N. J., November 2, 1939.

Session Records (contain Trustee Records, Women's Missionary Society Records, Ladies' Aid Society Records, Christian Endeavor Records, and Financial Records), 1877-- , 3 vols.; Trustee Records, Records of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925-- , 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1885-- , 23 vols.; Financial Records for Sunday School, 1902-- , 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deed: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. B, p. 3; Deeds, vol. U 9, p. 248.

287. FIRST CHURCH, 1877-- . 9th Avenue and E Street, Belmar, Monmouth County.

Prior to 1877, a small group of residents of Ocean Beach, now Belmar, requested that a Presbyterian church be organized in this section. A committee was appointed by the Presbytery, which met with those wishing to form the church. The first meeting was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church at 10th Avenue and D Street, and the Presbyterian Church of Ocean Beach was formally organized in 1877. They met in the Methodist Episcopal Church for worship until 1879, and from 1879 to 1882 in Bitner's Hall, except during the summer months when services were held in the Tabernacle, an open structure at 112-114 Seventh Avenue. Incorporation took place in 1880. In 1881, the Ocean Beach Association donated land to this church. The building was erected on the present site, and dedicated on October 8, 1883. Services were held in the unfinished new church during 1882.

Completed in 1883, this church was remodeled in 1927. The manse adjacent to the church, erected about 1885, is a two story frame structure. The original part of the church is of frame, the newer part, built of yellow brick with limestone trim, is of modified Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. The rear portion of the building is used for Sunday School and social rooms.

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Rev. James M. Denton, a graduate of New York University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1883 to 1889. The present pastor is Rev. Osborne L. Schumpert, 602 Ninth Avenue.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1922, I, 483.

Schumpert, Osborne L., Directory, History of First Church, Belmar, New Jersey. Belmar, First Presbyterian Church, 1939. 32 pp.

Session Records, 1877--, 2 vols.; 1877-1923, 1 vol., in custody of Historical Society at Philadelphia; 1923--, 1 vol., (includes Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), in custody of Mr. Stanley Dodd, Treasurer, 706 Tenth Avenue. Trustee Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward C. Broege, Secretary, 110 Third Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. John J. Bier, Superintendent, 516 Eighth Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1907--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Edwin Bigelow, Secretary, 511 Ninth Avenue. Young Women's Guild Records, 1935--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. David Lindsay, Secretary, 637 Redmond Avenue. Christian Endeavor Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert Scisco, President, 525 Eighth Avenue. Financial Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Stanley Dodd, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deed: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 239; Deeds, vol. 344, pp. 191-194.

288. EAST BURLINGTON CHAPEL, 1877--. Jones Avenue and Bordentown Road, Burlington, Burlington County.

Realizing the need of a church in this community, the First Church of Burlington (entry 251), through the Young People's Association, held a meeting at the home of Mr. John (Terry) Jones where formal organization took place on March 19, 1877. Almost simultaneously with this meeting, the United States Cast Iron Pipe and Foundry Company started a foundry. The resultant increase in population precluded any further delay, and in April of the same year, the present site was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Henry Freeley. The erection of a chapel was begun, and on November 15, 1877, was completed and dedicated.

This chapel is a small frame structure of semi-Gothic architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward B. Hodge, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was the supply pastor from the Burlington Presbyterian Church at the time of dedication, and served this church as well as the First Presbyterian Church of Burlington. The present pastor is Rev. Frank Lukens, stated supply, from First Presbyterian Church of Burlington.

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Woodward, E. M. and John F. Hageman, History of Burlington and Mercer Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1883, p. 175.

All records are incorporated with those of the Session Records of Burlington Presbyterian Church (entry 251), which are in the custody of Mr. Theodore F. Wolfe, Secretary, 438 Wood Street.

Record of deed: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. M 9, p. 614.

289. FIRST CHURCH, 1878--. Second and Grand Avenues, Asbury Park, Monmouth County.

This congregation was organized and incorporated in 1878, as the Trustees of the Presbyterian Tabernacle. Services from 1878 to 1879, were held in an open auditorium at the southwest corner of Second Avenue and Berg Street. The property on which the auditorium was built, was donated by Mr. James A. Bradley, a founder of this church. This building, used for summer services only was purchased by Mr. Bradley and moved to Ocean and Sunset Avenues in 1879. From 1879 to 1880, services were held in the Bond Street School, where the Sunday School was organized.

In 1880, the present site was donated by Mr. Bradley and their first church was erected; at which time they reincorporated as the First Presbyterian Church. This was a frame structure, with tower and bell. During the fall of 1883, the manse was erected at 907 Grand Avenue. In 1893, the need was felt for a larger place of worship. The old church was sold to Mr. Bradley and moved to the northeast corner of Second Avenue and Emory Street, to be used as a meeting house by the Quakers. It was subsequently removed to Ridge and Springwood Avenues, where it serves as a place of worship for Italian Catholics.

The new church erected on the same site was completed and dedicated in 1894. During the time of construction, services were held in Library Hall, at Main and Second Streets.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry and cathedral windows. The Sunday School classrooms are on the south and west sides of the building.

Rev. Ellsworth E. Moran, a graduate of West Virginia University, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1883 to 1887. The present pastor is Rev. Charles Franklin Shaw, 907 Grand Avenue.

Harrison, William, The First Presbyterian Church. Asbury Park, First Presbyterian Church. 18 pp.

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Harrison, William, Fifty Years, 1879-1929. The First Presbyterian Church. 12 pp.

Historical Sketch in Asbury Park Journal, January 4, 1894, p. 4.

Historical Sketch in Asbury Park Daily Press, May 7, 1900, p. 1.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, p. 410.

Trustee Records (includes Congregation Meetings and Financial Records), 1879--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Harrison, Secretary, 1115 Fifth Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1916--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Harrison, Secretary and Treasurer. Duplicate records for the Italian Presbyterian Chapel of Asbury Park (entry 303) are sent to this church.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 190; vol. A, p. 222; Deeds, vol. 330; pp. 42, 43; vol. 376, pp. 245-247; vol. 451, pp. 108-111; vol. 489, pp. 447, 453, 459; vol 510, pp. 49-52; vol. 472, pp. 402-405; vol. 531, pp. 458-464; vol. 588, pp. 133-137.

290. FIRST CHURCH, 1878--. Broad Street near Front Street, Keyport, Monmouth County.

During July 1878, a group of persons in this section, anxious to hold regular church services and to sponsor a Sunday School, met at the residence of Mr. George Cooper. Formal organization of the church took place October 18, 1878, although the Sunday School had held classes from July 31st. The new church prospered, and in 1879, decided to incorporate and erect a church. Sufficient funds were subscribed and the present site purchased from Elizabeth D. Osborn. The church was erected by volunteer labor, completed and dedicated June 8, 1880. Until the completion of the church, services were held in McKinney Hall on Front Street, which was rented.

The church reincorporated in 1899. From 1911 to 1913, the church was closed due to financial difficulties. Upon the death of Miss Jeannette Anderson in 1913, a bequest was left to the organization for current expenses. This made it possible to reopen the church and make some interior improvements. In 1923, a portion of the church property was sold and the mortgage paid off. The church has been served by supply pastors periodically.

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The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a small belfry, steeple, and Gothic windows of frosted glass. In 1900, Mrs. Margaret Van Brakle made a bequest which was used toward the erection of a manse. Property was purchased at 105 Kearny Street, and the manse erected thereon the same year.

Rev. James C. Elliott, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1880 to 1882. The present pastor is Rev. Charles F. Van Horn, 140 North Broadway, South Amboy.

Fifty Years and Four, Keyport, First Presbyterian Church, 1932, pp. 2, 3.

Trustee Records (include Financial Records and Sunday School Records), 1880-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. C. B. Tapp, Secretary, Chingarora Avenue. Personal records are kept by each visiting pastor.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 212; vol. C, pp. 429, 430; Deeds, vol. 315, pp. 354-356; vol. 653, pp. 489-491; vol. 1235, pp. 448, 449.

291. SEA BRIGHT CHAPEL, 1881-1915. Closed. 27 Ocean Avenue, Sea Bright, Monmouth County.

This chapel started as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Rumson (entry 272). The congregation was composed mostly of summer residents in the vicinity. The work of the church was carried on through the efforts of Mrs. Susan Alexander and bore the nickname "St. Susan on the Sands". The chapel, a frame structure with cathedral windows, was erected in 1881. Due to the falling off in the congregation the chapel was closed in 1915. The cathedral windows and the Communion service were presented to the Rumson Church.

The stated supplies were appointed by Presbytery.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, I, 472.

Session Records, Trustee Records, Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, Sunday School Records, Financial Records, 1881-1915, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. William Colby, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, 4 East River Road, Rumson.

Record of deed: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 335, pp. 494-498.

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292. POINT PLEASANT CHURCH, 1882--. Bay and Forman Avenues, Point Pleasant, Ocean County.

Preliminary Sunday School classes and church services were conducted in a small building on the property of Dr. Charles E. Knox, at Arnold and Richmond Avenues. A meeting was held in the home of Dr. Knox in 1882, for the purpose of organizing a church, and to consider the erection of a building on a site given by the Point Pleasant Land Company. Building was delayed because of lack of sufficient funds, and because of an early winter. Incorporation ensued in 1882. The church was completed and dedicated in 1883. From its beginning until 1889, the church operated as a mission, controlled by the Board of Domestic Missions. The Sunday School room is on the north side of the building. Mrs. Sarah Knox donated property on Laurel Avenue for a manse. The congregation, aided with funds raised by the Ladies' Aid Society, built the manse at 612 Laurel Avenue, a two story frame structure, in 1901.

The church is a stuccoed structure of semi-Gothic architecture, with two towers, bell, and cathedral windows. Additions were made in 1890, 1911 and 1923.

Rev. William Luke Cunningham, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1889 to 1897. The present pastor is Rev. John Townley, 612 Laurel Avenue.

Session Records, 1882--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Samuel B. Harrold, Clerk, 400 River Avenue. Trustee Records, 1882--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Cora Hurley, Secretary, Trenton Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1882--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert L. Wack, Superintendent, Richmond Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Andrew Sharp, Secretary, 723 Grove Street. Financial Records, 1925--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Arthur C. Mozier, Treasurer, 509 Forman Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 2, pp. 188, 189; Deeds, vol. 117, pp. 329-332; vol. 263, pp. 109-113; 452-457; vol. 474, pp. 385-388; vol. 836, pp. 59-61.

293. FIRST CHURCH, 1883--. 114 Third Avenue, Long Branch, Monmouth County.

Among the members of this church organized in 1883, were former members of the Church of Long Branch (entry 257), which closed in 1855. This congregation incorporated as the First Presbyterian Church of Long Branch in 1884. Forty additional members were received from the Second Reformed Church by letter. Services from 1883 to 1885

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were held in Library Hall, on the south side of Broadway. Property was purchased at the corner of Chelsea Avenue and Second Street in 1884, from Mr. John G. Shaw and a small frame chapel was erected in 1885. Another site was purchased at Third and Chelsea Avenues, and the chapel removed to that site in 1891. This building was used for church services until the erection and dedication of the new church in 1894.

The present church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. The chapel which had been moved to its present location adjoins the church and is now used for Sunday School classes. The manse, at 118 Third Street, also adjoins the church and was purchased in 1918.

Rev. Maitland Alexander, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1892 to 1897. The present pastor is Rev. Ronald B. Brook, 118 Third Avenue.

Ellis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, R. T. Peck, 1885, p. 763.

Hampton, Frank W., The Fiftieth Anniversary, First Presbyterian Church of Long Branch. Long Branch, First Presbyterian Church, 1933. 5 pp. In Princeton Theological Seminary Library and on file in Monmouth Historical Society at Freehold.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, I, 398.

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Record of incorporations and deed: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, pp. 371, 407; Deeds, vol. 504, pp. 71-73.

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294. MOORESTOWN CHURCH, 1886--. Chester Avenue, South of Center Avenue, Moorestown, Burlington County.

During the summer of 1886, a few residents of this community held services in the residence of Mr. Collings at 245 East Main Street. When winter came and the services were discontinued, Rev. D. C. Porter, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Mount Holly (entry 253), made inquiries and found the residents of Moorestown with definite leanings toward the Presbyterian faith. With the return of spring, cottage prayer meetings were resumed and organization was effected in 1887. Incorporation took place in November 1887, but the formal organization did not take place until they were officially accepted as a Presbyterian church by the Monmouth Presbytery, which was in 1888. Encouraged by the growing interest and the gradually increasing attendance, the people engaged Grange Hall, near East Main Street as a place of worship, after which services were held in Heuling Hall, on the corner of Chester Avenue and Third Street. The church grew and prospered and they were looking forward to the erection of a church. The Sunday School was organized in 1888, by a student of Princeton Theological Seminary. During 1891, the present site was purchased and in the spring of 1892, the church was erected. In 1917, a Sunday School building was erected, and nine years later, the manse was built at 130 Chestnut Street. During the years from 1918 to 1938, the church was remodeled and modernized.

The church is a stuccoed structure of modified Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Chalmers Martin, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, and former missionary in Siam, served this church from 1888 to 1891. The present pastor is Rev. J. Shackelford Dauerty, 130 Chestnut Street.

Historical Sketch in Moorestown Chronicle
Moorestown, November 24, 1938.

Session Records, 1880--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records (contain Congregational Meetings), 1889--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1888--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1888--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Alfred L. Deyo, Clerk and Superintendent, 14 East Oak Avenue. Women's Service League Records, 1912--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Walter E. Fleming, Secretary, 407 West 3rd Street. Financial Records, 1888--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William M. Given, President of Trustees, 6 West Maple Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 327; Deeds, vol. Y 11, p. 607; vol. 292, p. 419; vol. 377, p. 181.

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295. HOPE CHURCH, 1888--. Hope Road (Route #3, Lakewood), Lakewood, Ocean County.

This church, organized in 1888, is the outgrowth of a Presbyterian Sunday School. In 1874, a group of persons met in the Runyon Schoolhouse at County Line Road and Hope Road, and organized a Sunday School. Mrs. George Langdon, wife of a retired Presbyterian minister, was largely responsible for this group. Classes continued until a sufficient number requested the formation of a Presbyterian church. Mr. Isaac Hyers donated the church site, and Miss Fannie Campbell gave the lumber for the church. The men interested in the erection of the church chopped down trees on Miss Campbell's land, carted them to the saw-mill, and began construction. The church was completed and dedicated in July 1888. A group from the Holmanville Presbyterian Church (entry 271), united with Hope Church. Incorporation took place in 1897, and additional property opposite the church was purchased. The Sunday School room, adjoining the church proper, is divided into two sections. For the past twenty years there has been a summer Bible School during July and August. A parish hall, a large one story structure opposite the church, was built in 1910.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry, bell, plain and cathedral windows. It is claimed that silver dollars were melted in the amalgam, in casting the bell.

Rev. Max S. Rowland, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1888 to 1895. The present pastor is Rev. Earl Fritz, residing at Manalapan.

Manual of the Presbyterian Church, Lakewood.
Lakewood, Lakewood Times and Journal, 1888. 18 pp.

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May 19, 1888, p. 3; January 1897, p. 1.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, pp. 195-197; Deeds, vol. 228, pp. 191-194; vol. 231, pp. 227-229; vol. 581, pp. 67, 68.

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296. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1888-1902. Closed. 509 Sewall Avenue, Asbury Park, Monmouth County.

A group of former members of the First Church, Asbury Park (entry 289), decided to form this church, organizing and incorporating in 1888.

Services were conducted in the old Opera House at 509 Sewall Avenue, until its destruction by fire in 1902. The congregation diminished numerically with the result that the remaining members reunited with the First Presbyterian Church.

Record of incorporation: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 97.

297. FIRST CHURCH, 1890--. 73 Third Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, Monmouth County.

A group of persons wishing to establish a Presbyterian church in this vicinity met in the residence of Mr. Caleb Patterson and organized on December 19, 1890. Incorporation ensued on July 15, 1891. Larger quarters were needed and White's Hall at 16 First Avenue was offered them. Regular services were held here until the congregation was able to purchase the present site from Bridget and James Martin. Funds were raised by the Ladies' Aid Society and by subscription. The church was erected and dedicated in 1892.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement. In 1897, the manse at 17 East Highland Avenue was erected on part of the property included in the original purchase.

Rev. William Price, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church during 1890. The present pastor is Rev. Donald W. Correal, 17 East Highland Avenue.

Historical Sketch, Atlantic Highlands, First Presbyterian Church, 1910, pp. 11-13.

Leonard, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, Philadelphia, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1922, I, 335.

Session Records (include History of Church, 1890, vol. 1, pp. 1-3), 1890--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Walker W. Nelson, Clerk, 10 Viola Avenue. Trustee Records, 1895--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. W. Edward Jagger, Secretary, 8 West Highland Avenue. Congregational Meeting Records (minutes and reports of same with yearly financial reports),

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1916-35, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Nelsen. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1890--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1890--, 1 file box, in custody of Mrs. H. C. Van Note, Superintendent, 45 Grand Avenue. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. John Wray, Secretary, 39 Middletown Avenue. Financial Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Todd, Treasurer, 17 East Highland Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, pp. 289, 290; Deeds, vol. 485, pp. 148-150.

298. GRACE CHAPEL, 1890--. Broad Street, between Third and Front Streets, Beverly, Burlington County.

The need for a house of worship in this section of the town was realized by the First Presbyterian Church, (entry 263). Consequently, those persons residing in this section organized Grace Chapel as a mission of the sponsoring church in 1890. A site for the chapel was purchased from Mrs. Charlotte Queney, and the chapel erected and dedicated in 1890.

The chapel is a one story structure of modified Gothic architecture with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. G. H. Duffield, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was the first pastor. This chapel is supplied with pastors by the First Church of Beverly.

Wilson, Jacob, Semi-Centennial of Beverly, 1853-1903, Beverly, Presbyterian Church, 1903.

All records are incorporated with those of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 263).

Record of deeds: Burlington County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 305, p. 202; vol. 474, p. 193.

299. OAK GLEN CHURCH, 1890-1939. Closed. Farmingdale-Lakewood Road, Oak Glen (formerly Morrisville District), Monmouth County.

First services of this congregation were held in the schoolhouse at Burdges Corners. Mr. Benjamin Wolcott donated property for a church site in 1878. A church was erected and incorporated as the Oak Glen Union Free Church in 1886, and used by other denominations. In 1890, they reincorporated and the church became known as the Oak Glen

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Presbyterian Church and the congregation was placed in the care of the Presbytery. Pastors were supplied by the Princeton Theological Seminary. Services were discontinued from 1890 to 1893. Another change took place in 1893, when Pierce Memorial Church of Farmingdale (entry 280) took charge and Oak Glen Church operated as a mission of the Farmingdale Church. With the removal of most of the Presbyterians from this section, the church was forced to close in 1939.

The church is a small frame structure of Colonial type of architecture, has tower with open belfry, a bell, and cathedral windows.

Early records are unknown, and those from 1893 are incorporated in the records of Pierce Memorial Church of Farmingdale (entry 280).

Record of incorporations and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 9; vol. B, pp. 225, 226; Deeds, vol. 408, pp. 372-376; vol. 476, pp. 206-209; vol. 493, pp. 1-3.

300. GERMAN CHURCH, 1894--. 76 Washington Street,
South River, Middlesex County.

The Germans in this section were anxious to organize and build a church. Early services were held in the residences of Messrs. Gustav Wall on Washington Street, and Henry Schroeder at 42 Main Street. Mr. Albert Wall of Torrington, Connecticut, gave a site upon which the church was erected and dedicated in 1894. The church was organized as the German Presbyterian Church, and incorporated the same year. Upon the acquirement of additional land adjoining the church on both sides, the manse at 78 Washington Street was erected in 1901, and a recreational building for meetings and social gatherings in 1915.

The church is a frame structure of early American architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows. The bell was presented to the church by the Martha Washington Society of South River. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Frederick Mueller, a graduate of the German Theological Seminary of Bloomfield, served the church from 1896 to 1899. The present pastor is Rev. William J. Kern, 78 Washington Street.

Quaid, John., A Marvelous Evolution and Forty-Fifth Anniversary, Sayreville, Boro of Sayreville, 1926, p. 14.

Session Records (contain current Trustee Records), 1894--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1894-1923, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1894--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1894--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Society Records,

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1908--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Henry Schwartz, Secretary, 14 Washington Street. Financial Records, 1914--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. First volumes of Session and Trustee Records written in German and English.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. C, p. 369; Deeds, vol. 308, p. 31; vol. 508, p. 534; vol. 402, p. 485.

301. WEST MANTALOKING CHURCH, 1900--. Adamston, West Mantaloking, Ocean County.

Several meetings of the townspeople of this locality, were held at the home of Mrs. Adelaide Webster, the oldest member of this church, in 1899. The church was organized as a result of these meetings. The present site was given by Mr. John Jones in the same year. Funds were raised by subscription, a church was erected and dedicated in 1900. Incorporation ensued in 1915. The manse at 819 Gowdy Avenue, Point Pleasant, was purchased from Mr. Joel Hulze in 1922.

This church is a plain frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. William Webb, served this church from 1900 to 1907. The present pastor is Rev. William Taylor Dale, 819 Gowdy Avenue, Point Pleasant.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1900--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Leonora Thompson, Clerk, Shore Road. Trustee Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Herbert Rogers, Secretary, Shore Road. Sunday School Records, 1904--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. A. Jackson Jones, Superintendent, West Mantaloking. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1932--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Mary Warren, Secretary, Shore Road. Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Martha Rogers, Secretary, Shore Road. Financial Records, 1930--, 2 vols.; 1930-35, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Herbert Rogers, Secretary, Shore Road; 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Samuel Morris, Treasurer, Shore Road.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Ocean County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, p. 54; Deeds, vol. 453, pp. 409, 410; vol. 472, pp. 153-155; vol. 596, pp. 394-396; vol. 249, pp. 252-254.

302. FIRST CHURCH OF YARDVILLE, 1912--. Allentown Road, Yardville, Mercer County.

Presbyterian mission endeavors in this community began prior to 1850. This church started as a mission of the Allentown Church (entry 240), organizing in 1850. Sunday School classes and church services were held in a small frame structure, erected in 1851. The present location was selected and purchased by this group in 1851. Formal organization took place in 1912. In 1920, a manse at 4469 South Broad Street was purchased; and in 1929, a chapel for Sunday School classes and social functions was erected. The congregation worshiped here until March 1932, when a fire destroyed the church. In the meantime services were held in the American Mechanics' Hall, in Yardville, and in December of the same year, the present church was completed and dedicated.

The present church is a one story structure of Colonial architecture, with a square tower and plain windows.

Rev. Harry L. Somers, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1916 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. David L. Coddington, 4469 South Broad Street.

Monut, Mrs. Clarence B., Historical Sketch of the Yardville Church. September 1929. Ms. In possession of Mrs. Monut, Allentown Road.

Session Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George B. Taylor, Clerk, 4461 South Broad Street. Trustee Records, 1917-19, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Clarence B. Monut, Superintendent, Allentown Road. Missionary Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Helen Makai, Secretary, Bordentown. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. David L. Coddington, Secretary, 4469 South Broad Street. Financial Records, 1928--, 2 vols.; 1928-30, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. W. Harry Conover, Secretary, 4181 South Broad Street; 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Karl A. Anderson, Treasurer, 4228 South Broad Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Mercer County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 20; Deeds, vol. T, p. 474; vol. 404, p. 18; vol. 465, p. 122; vol. 470, pp. 346-348.

303. ITALIAN CHAPEL, 1912--. 139 Borden Avenue, Asbury Park, Monmouth County.

The National Board of Missions organized this Italian congregation in 1912. The mission is sponsored by the First Church, Asbury Park (entry 289). First services of this mission, from 1912 to 1923,

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were held in rented stores at 200 Union Avenue, 1306 Springwood Avenue, and 6 and 8 Atkins Avenue. In 1923, Mr. James A Bradley, founder of First Church, Asbury Park, donated a site to the congregation on the north side of Springwood Avenue, between Fisher and Stokes Avenues. This was sold, the present site purchased, and the present chapel erected in 1925.

The chapel is a one story frame structure of Spanish mission type of architecture, with a small steeple and plain windows. The manse, at 1304 Eleventh Avenue, is rented by the pastor.

Rev. Domenico Porfirio, a graduate of Triventi College, Italy, New York Biblical Seminary, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this chapel in 1912. The present pastor is Rev. Dominick Ditoro, 1304 Eleventh Avenue.

Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1931--, 1 file box; Sunday School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. All other records and reports sent by the pastor to the National Board of Missions and a duplicate to the First Presbyterian Church of Asbury Park (entry 289).

304. McCLENAGHAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1917--. Johnson's Place Road, Johnson's Place, Burlington County.

In the spring of 1916, Mrs. Mary Davis summoned a number of relatives and friends with the idea of organizing a church. First meetings were held in a schoolhouse near the present site. Property on which to build a chapel and manse was sold to the Presbytery of Monmouth by Mr. Timothy Headley in 1916. The church, "a chapel in the pines", was organized in 1917.

The manse on Johnson's Place was built and dedicated July 12, 1917, and the chapel adjoining, was built and dedicated in September 1917. This was accomplished through the efforts of Mrs. Davis.

The chapel is a plain frame structure of meeting house architecture.

Mrs. Mary Davis, a teacher in the Newton Public School, Philadelphia, preached and worked with this group for eight years, from 1916 to 1924. Some of the members moved away toward the vicinity of Mt. Holly and Mrs. Davis organized a church at Oak Grove (entry 306). Mrs. Davis resides in the manse at Johnson's Place.

All records are sent to the Presbytery of Monmouth (entry 237) each week.

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305. CALVARY CHURCH, 1922--. Bangs and Atkins Avenues,
Asbury Park, Monmouth County.

This congregation was organized as early as 1891, and incorporated twice as a Baptist Church. In 1922, however, it affiliated with the Presbyterian denomination and incorporated as Calvary Presbyterian Church of Asbury Park. Early services were held in a hall at 1214 Springwood Avenue. Later services were held in a small chapel built in 1895 on the present site. This property was deeded to the church by Mrs. Elizabeth Ryerson. A small frame structure on the site was moved to the rear of the property when the present church was erected in 1923. The building of the new church was made possible with funds raised by Rev. William Lucian Brean, formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The present church is a one story stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with cathedral windows. The manse was purchased in 1922, and is located at 1300 Summerfield Avenue.

Rev. William Lucian Brean, served this church from 1922 to 1930. The present pastor is Rev. James E. Harper, who resides at 1855 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

Lewis, Franklin, History of Monmouth County, New York City, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1933, I, 412.

Session Records, 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Lena Lane, Secretary, 1123 Adams Street. Trustee Records, 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Hattie Parker, Secretary, 46 Fisher Avenue. Record of Baptisms, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Lucille Dodd, Clerk, 1308 Atkins Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1935--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1935--, 3 vols.; Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1926--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Lena W. Lane, Secretary. Financial Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Lucille Dodd, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Monmouth County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. K, p. 202; Deeds, vol. 1199, pp. 33, 34; vol. 1203, pp. 26-28; vol. 1362, pp. 346-348; vol. 641, pp. 373-376; vol. 1167, pp. 160, 161.

306. OAK GROVE CHAPEL, 1922--. Buddtown Road, Retreat,
Burlington County.

This congregation was organized in 1922 by Mrs. Mary Davis, who had organized the D. J. McClenagahn Memorial Chapel at Johnson's Place (entry 303). The site for this chapel was sold to the Burlington County school board by Mr. John Wills, and then sold to the Presbytery

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of Monmouth in the spring of 1921. A church was erected and dedicated in October 1921, and formal organization took place in 1922. The church was rebuilt in 1923.

The chapel is a frame structure of meeting house architecture.

Mrs. Mary Davis, a teacher in the Newton Public School, Philadelphia, conducted services here from 1922 to 1923. A niece of Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Maud LeDuc, trained for this work by her aunt, comes to preach and conduct the Sunday School each Sunday. Mrs. LeDuc resides at Johnson's Place.

All records are sent weekly to the Presbytery of Monmouth (entry 237).

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307. PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH, 1870--. Dr. Herbert K. England, Stated Clerk, 117 West Fifth Avenue, Roselle.

This outstanding group of churches, now known as the Presbytery of Elizabeth, was in 1824 known as the Presbytery of Elizabethtown which was a daughter of the old Presbytery of Jersey. About one hundred and sixty years prior to the early grouping of these churches, Elizabethtown and Woodbridge are supposed to be the first English settlements in New Jersey to purchase ground from the Indians for permanent settlement.

Rev. Jonathan Dickinson, a young man in his twenties, a graduate of Yale College, came to Elizabethtown in 1708 and found an inspiring parish. As early as 1717, records show that he had joined the Philadelphia Presbytery. Throughout the years, the Presbytery of Elizabethtown retained this close affiliation with Philadelphia, remaining a supporter of the Old Side-Old School divisions until the reunion in 1870.

The earliest period of presbyterial organization in this area was filled with numerous problems to be solved. The spiritual life of the community was at a low ebb prior to 1750. Material problems and anxieties assumed large proportions to those pioneers. The way was opened for Edwards, Gilbert Tennent and the preaching of Whitefield. The revival of the mid-century resulted in the introduction of prayer meetings, Christian Hymns to Psalmbook, missionary enterprise, the Sunday School; and attacked slave trade, intemperance, and other social evils.

For seventy years the Elizabeth Presbytery has been strengthening itself for its current program. Last year 21,000 members contributed more than \$570,000.00 for Kingdom purposes. Spiritual frontiers are being constantly widened.

England, Herbert K., Historical Sketch of the Presbytery of Elizabeth. Elizabeth, George R. Iles, 1925. 8 pp.

Records of Committees on Benevolence and Finance and on Church Extension, 1871-76, 1 vol., in Synod Archives, Princeton Theological Seminary. Presbytery Records, 1870--, 6 vols., in custody of Dr. Herbert K. England, Stated Clerk, 117 West Fifth Avenue, Roselle.

308. FIRST CHURCH, 1710--. Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge, Middlesex County.

Previous to the organization of the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge, the settlers resolved to erect a meeting house for church

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services, meanwhile holding meetings in a private residence near the site of the present church. The land on which the town of Woodbridge has been built was purchased from the Lenni-Lenape Indians in 1664.

Organization and foundation for the first church took place in 1675, not far from the site of the present church. This church was Congregational in its inception but was received into the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1710 (now Elizabeth Presbytery); incorporated in 1786.

The Second Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge Township, located in Metuchen, was established in 1767, as a branch of this church. It became independent in 1793, and is known as the First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen (entry 318).

Continuous improvements were made until 1803, when the church was dedicated. The Sunday School was organized in 1818, and in 1875, the Sunday School building was donated by Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, and the church was rebuilt. The manse was erected in 1911.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Nathaniel Wade served this church from 1707 to 1714. The present pastor is Rev. Earl H. Devanny, 555 Rahway Avenue.

Buschman, L. Y., 250th Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge, New Jersey. Woodbridge, Middlesex Press, 1925. 62 pp.

McNulty, J. M., Historical Discourse, First Presbyterian Church, Woodbridge, New Jersey. New York, Cromwell Bros. and Vogler, 1875. 23 pp.

Session Records (include Vital Statistics), 1707--, 5 vols.; Trustee Records, 1707--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. John E. Breckenbridge, Clerk, 181 Green Street. Sunday School Records, 1865--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Kuhlman, Secretary, 138 Freeman Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1858--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Clifford Blair, Secretary, Roosevelt Avenue, Port Reading. Financial Records, 1762--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. John Kreger, Treasurer, 21 Prospect Avenue, Edgar Hill.

Record of incorporation and deed: Incorporations, 10 session, 2 sittings, Statutes, p. 255; Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Ancient Deeds, vol. 1, p. 4.

309. FIRST CHURCH, 1717--. Broad Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

Coincident with the founding of the town of Elizabeth in 1664, was the organization of this church as Congregational. The original

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meeting house was erected the same year on land purchased from the Indians and for forty years was the only place of worship. In 1717, Presbyterian articles of faith were adopted and affiliation with the Presbytery of Philadelphia followed.

In 1724, a new church replaced the old one, and in 1753, the church was chartered by King George II. During the Revolutionary War, at about 1780, the British burned the church and the congregation then worshiped in a storehouse on Cherry Street until 1789, when the present church was completed.

The Sunday School was not organized until 1814, the classes meeting in the church proper. A tornado destroyed the steeple in 1899, the repairing of which was completed in 1902.

As surrounding populations increased, organization of churches within the original territorial jurisdiction of the First Church followed in close succession: 1727, Westfield (entry 310); 1730, Basking Ridge (entry 313); 1730, Connecticut Farms (entry 312); 1737, Turkey (New Providence) (entry 425); 1741, Rahway (entry 316); 1746, Springfield (entry 317); and in Elizabeth, 1820, Second Church (entry 319); and in 1851, the Third Church (entry 328) formed from the First and Second Churches. The manse located at Caldwell Place and Broad Street was erected in 1864.

The present church is a brick and stone structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, with a bell, Sir Christopher Wrenn spire, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Jeremiah Peck served this church from 1668 to 1678. The present pastor is Rev. Charles Alexander Ross, 221 Stiles Street.

Alward, Mary E., Historic Sites and Houses. Elizabeth Daily Journal. May 6, 1932.

Clayton, William Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, pp. 195-217.

Copy of the Charter Granted by King George II to the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabethtown. 1753. Ms.

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Hatfield, Edwin T., History of Elizabeth, New Jersey. New York, Carlton and Lanahan, 1868. 701 pp.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1852, pp. 344, 345.

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Record Book of First Presbyterian Church. Bertha Baldwin Bigelow, compiler, 1916.

Sprague, William B., A Discourse. Addressed to the First Presbyterian Congregation of Elizabeth, October 9, 1867. Albany, Charles Van Benthuysen and Sons, 1867. 43 pp.

Session Records, 1800-1900, in vault of Elizabeth Public Library; 1900--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Crane, Clerk, 815 Salem Avenue. Trustee Records, 1900--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Ogden, President, 458 North Broad Street. Transcribed Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Burials, 1717-1800, 1 vol., in Elizabeth Public Library. Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Burials, 1900--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Crane, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1814--, 13 vols.; 1814-1900, 8 vols., in vault of Elizabeth Public Library; 1900--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Howard A. Smith, Secretary, 710 Monroe Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1814--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Russell A. Sherrefs, Secretary, 348 Elmora Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1814--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Mabel Painter, Secretary, 7 Wilson Terrace. Financial Records, 1900--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Crane, Clerk.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 43; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 3, p. 279; vol. 4, p. 53; vol. 10, p. 629; vol. 23 pp. 317-321; vol. 32, p. 372; vol. 33, pp. 327-329; vol. 49, p. 500; vol. 78, p. 302; vol. 95, p. 161; vol. 110, p. 322; vol. 205, p. 88; vol. 205, p. 91; vol. 243, p. 170; vol. 288, p. 466; vol. 300, p. 166; vol. 392, p. 161; vol. 392, p. 381.

310. CHURCH OF WESTFIELD, 1728--. Mountain Avenue, Westfield, Union County.

Prior to the establishment of the Presbyterian Church of Westfield, the first settlers were compelled to drive to Elizabethtown if they wished to attend regular services. Farmers living in the wooded hills organized and erected a rough hewn log building on Elizabethtown Road (now known as Benson Avenue). This cabin served as a place of worship until 1735. This new organization was the first out-station of the First Presbyterian Church in Elizabethtown (entry 309). Land was purchased in 1734, and a frame church was erected.

Incorporated in 1788, services continued here until 1803, when the building was sold and removed, and a new church was erected on the original site. Remodeled in 1842, this building served its purpose until

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1861, when ground was broken and the corner stone for the present church laid. Completion and dedication was effected in 1862. The Locust Grove Union Chapel Sunday School (entry 343) has been absorbed by this church. The first manse was erected in 1811, and the present one, adjacent to the church, in 1888.

The church is a frame building, of Colonial architecture, and has a steeple, bell, and two cathedral windows.

Rev. Benjamin Woodruff, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1759 to 1802. The present pastor is Rev. William R. McKinney, 315 East Broad Street.

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Record of deed: Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1, p. 55.

311. BETHLEHEM CHURCH, 1730--. Pittstown Road, Grandin, Bethlehem Township, Hunterdon County.

Members of the Bethlehem Presbyterian Church organized in 1730. They held their first meetings in a log structure adjacent to the present site. This log structure was replaced by a frame church in 1760. In 1786, they incorporated and in 1830, a new church was erected and dedicated in 1870. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church. The manse located on Pittstown Road was purchased in 1901.

The present church is of modified Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Thomas Lewis, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1747 to 1761. The present pastor is Rev. Roland D. Driscoll, Pittstown Road, Grandin, also pastor of Clarksville Church (entry 334).

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Clinton. Women's Missionary Society and Ladies' Aid Society Records,
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Record of incorporation and deeds: Incorporation, 10 session,
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vol. 51, p. 288¹/₂; vol. 263, p. 281.

312. CONNECTICUT FARMS CHURCH, 1730--. 895 Stuyvesant
Avenue, Union, Union County.

Formerly worshipping at the First Presbyterian Church of
Elizabethtown (entry 309), the people of Connecticut Farms organized,
about 1730, into a separate religious society. No record has been pre-
served of the formation of the church. Everything of a documentary
character pertaining to the early history of the congregation must have
perished in the destruction of the church and manse by the British in
1780.

The people were left almost penniless, and as help had to be
received from somewhere, they presented a petition to the Presbytery of
Morristown, in 1783. As a result of this appeal, the church was rebuilt
the same year, on the site of the former structure. By 1847, the old
building was greatly in need of repair, and later the same year it was
voted to immediately undertake the work. The church was incorporated in
1882. A Miss Mary Potter started the Sunday School about 1806, in her
father's corn crib, which was preserved until 1905.

The church is a brick and stone structure of Colonial archi-
tecture, with a steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

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Rev. Simon Horton, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1734 to 1746. The present pastor is Rev. Frederick W. Druckenmiller, 22 Stuyvesant Avenue.

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Druckenmiller, Frederick W., Two Hundredth Anniversary, 1930. Union, Connecticut Farms Church, 1930. 17 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 425; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 373, p. 575.

313. BASKING RIDGE CHURCH, 1731--. Finley Avenue and Oak Street, Basking Ridge, Somerset County.

The first authentic date in the history of this church is on the original deed. This document, dated February 8, 1731, conveyed to the trustees "one-half acres of land, on or near the middle of which now stands a house built and intended for the exercising of religious worship". The "house" mentioned is no doubt the old log meeting house, though no definite records exist to substantiate the statement. Basking Ridge Church is the second out-station of the First Church of Elizabethtown (entry 309).

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Replaced in 1745 by a frame structure, the second church was incorporated in 1785, and was in continuous use until 1839, when it was demolished to make way for the present church. While the present church was being erected, services were held in a chapel directly across Finley Avenue. The manse was erected on land purchased in 1852. About 1908, the chapel was sold to Mr. Samuel S. Childs, upon whose death his widow gave the building to the Basking Ridge Library Association.

Sunday School classes meet for religious instruction on the balcony. In 1910, an Italian Mission was established at Bernardsville (entry 348), and the records were incorporated with those of this church.

A giant oak tree, over 200 years old, stands guard over many graves in the church yard. This venerable oak is the pride of the community and is visited by tourists from far and wide.

The church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows. The facade gable supports a domed belfry with bell.

Rev. John Cross served this church from 1732 to 1741. The present pastor is Rev. Lawrence G. Bennett, Basking Ridge.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Incorporations, 38 session, 2 sittings, Statutes, p. 197; Somerset County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. E P, p. 681; vol. M P, p. 157; vol. P 2, p. 495; vol. V 4, p. 21; vol. F 8, p. 442; vol. T 9, p. 229; vol. P 10, p. 47; vol. W 11, p. 103; vol. N 12, p. 250; vol. V 12, p. 18; vol. B 12, p. 348.

314. FIRST CHURCH, 1735--. High and Market Streets,
Perth Amboy, Middlesex County.

Prior to the erection of this church in 1735, services were held in private residences prior to the erection of the first church in 1735, on what is now known as State Street. During the Revolutionary War the building was used as a stable for British cavalry, and in 1785, it was burned down. Services were again held in private residences and in the Court House until 1803, when a new church was erected. The site, which is part of the present church property, was donated by Captain John Angus, a resident of Perth Amboy. Incorporation ensued in 1804.

Extensive alterations to the original building were made in 1850, and again in 1870, and continued in use until 1903, when it was sold and the present church erected. The Sunday School building in the rear of the church was built in 1895, on land which was donated. Additional property was purchased in 1900 and 1901. The original manse was erected in 1809, at 101 Rector Street, on a site which was donated, and in 1869, it was sold. The church has been without a manse for many years, the pastor residing in a rented dwelling.

The church is constructed of Stockton Peach Blossom Granite of Tudor Gothic architecture, and has three towers and cathedral windows.

Rev. Elias Riggs, a graduate of Princeton College, served this church from 1803 to 1806. The present pastor is Rev. Frederick Niedermeyer, 88 Market Street.

Mendenhall, Harlan G., Presbyterianism in Perth Amboy, New Jersey. Perth Amboy Publishing Company, 1903. 92 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 2; Deeds, vol. 322, p. 326; vol. 312, p. 261.

315. LAMINGTON CHURCH, 1740--. Main Street, Lamington, Somerset County.

Where preliminary meetings were held is unknown. The first church was organized in 1740, and a church located on Lamington Road, was erected. A meeting held at Basking Ridge in the same year, by the people of Lamintuck (Lamington), Lebanon, Peapack, Readington, and Bethlehem, called on Rev. James McCrea to officiate.

The affairs of the church were administered by a committee of four men, but by 1749, eleven more members were added. These members had the secular affairs of the church in their charge until 1783, when an act of the legislature was passed, granting the benefit of a corporation to be known by the name of "The Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregation of Bedminster in the Counties of Somerset and Hunterdon". Repairs were made in 1784 and 1807. In 1826, the corner stone was laid, and the church was replaced by a new structure on the same site.

The site of the present church and the manse was purchased in 1883; and in 1885, the entire building was moved on skids to the north side of the Lamington Road. When the building reached its permanent site, extensive repairs were made; during these alterations services were held in the schoolhouse. From the time this church building was moved, the church suffered lack of attendance and financial support, which resulted in a growing deterioration of the physical properties of the church.

In the year 1835, two faithful members met with accidental deaths and their parents donated a fund to the trustees; additional funds were raised by subscription, and during the year the church was thoroughly reconditioned.

The church is a frame structure of early Colonial architecture, with belfry, a bell surmounted by a steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James McCrea, a student of Log College, licensed by the New Brunswick Presbytery, served this church from 1740 to 1756. The church is now without a pastor.

Manual of Lamington Church, October 1, 1890. Somerville, Unionist Gazette Printing House, 1890. 12 pp.

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Missionary Records (undated), 1 vol., in custody of Miss Julia Craig, Treasurer, Oldwick. Financial Records, 1740-83, 1 vol.; 1784-1828, 1 vol.; 1825-96, 1 vol.; 1828-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Craig Skillman, Clerk, Lamington.

Record of incorporation and deed: Incorporations, 8 session, 1 sitting, Statutes, p. 11; Somerset County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 5, p. 496.

316. FIRST CHURCH, 1741--. West Grand Street, Rahway, Union County.

As Rahway increased in population Rev. Jonathan Dickinson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth (entry 309), found that due to poor transportation facilities it was difficult for the members to attend church in Elizabethtown. Mr. Dickinson organized this Rahway Church in 1741, holding services in a barn on St. George's Avenue. Later in the same year the members assembled and erected a church on St. George Avenue. The first church building was so well built that no repairs were made until 1788.

In 1831, meetings were held regarding the erection of a new church, and that year property was purchased on land known as Richards' Lot (the present church property). Erection of the church and manse was started immediately, and upon completion was dedicated in 1832. The congregation incorporated in 1872. A new parish hall adjacent to the church was erected in 1925, by the Squire family, in memory of Catherine S. Squire.

The church is a red and white brick structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, a tall belfry houses the bell and clock, and is capped by a small lantern tower on which is a weather vane. The windows are of cathedral glass.

Rev. Aaron Richards, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1748 to 1791. The present pastor is Rev. Chester M. Davis, 543 West Grand Street.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, pp. 259-270.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 158; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 10, p. 414; vol. 460, p. 517.

317. FIRST CHURCH, 1746--. Morris Avenue and Main Street, Springfield, Union County.

The property for this church was obtained by grant of 100 acres of land from King George II, in 1744. This Springfield Presbyterian Church was organized out of a portion of the Connecticut Farms (entry 312) congregation.

Their first house of worship was a log cabin, erected in 1746, about a half mile from the present church. In 1760, the second meeting house was erected on the site of the present church. This building was burned by the British in 1780. It was at this church that Rev. James Caldwell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth (entry 309), and at that time chaplain of Colonel Dayton's regiment, finding that the American troops were short of gun-wadding, broke open the church door, seized an armful of hymn books and threw them down before the soldiers shouting, "Put Watts into them boys". The British soldiers wrathfully called him the High Priest of the Revolution.

The third or present church was erected and dedicated in 1791, and built on the site of the second building. The manse was erected in 1848, and built over the foundation of the first manse, which was destroyed in 1780. The congregation incorporated in 1863.

The church is a shingled frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower and clock, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Timothy Symmes served this church from 1746 to 1751. The present pastor is Rev. George A. Liggett, 41 Main Street.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, pp. 428, 429.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Incorporations, 87 Leg., 19 session, Statutes, p. 277; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 130, p. 586; vol. 169, p. 20.

318. FIRST CHURCH, 1765--. Woodbridge Avenue, Metuchen, Middlesex County.

Built in 1765, this church was first a branch of the First Church of Woodbridge Township (entry 308). It became an independent organization, incorporating in 1799 as the Second Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge Township. Land was donated by Mr. John Hampton and his wife in 1836.

The organization changed its name to the First Presbyterian Church of Metuchen in 1858 under a special act of the legislature. The Sunday School building was added in 1927.

The church is a plain frame and brick structure, and has a bell.

Rev. Aziel Roe served this church from 1767 to 1793. The present pastor is Rev. George A. Humphries, 260 Woodbridge Avenue.

Session Records (include Financial Records), 1866--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George E. Kelly, Custodian, 323 Woodbridge Avenue. Trustee Records, 1866--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Thomas D. Ainsell, President, 81 Rector Street. Record of Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1767--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1940--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. H. D. Farrell, Superintendent, Metuchen.

Record of incorporations: Incorporations, 23 session, 3 sittings, Statutes, p. 270; 82 Leg., 14 session, Statutes, p. 169.

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319. SECOND CHURCH, 1820--. 1161 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

The Second Presbyterian Church was organized and incorporated in 1820, by forty members of the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth (entry 309). These members held their first services in the Session House of the First Church until the dedication of their church. Land was purchased, ground broken, and the corner stone laid in 1821. The Sunday School department was added to the rear of the church in 1831, and the chapel in 1893.

In 1904, the Sunday School building of this church was purchased by the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church. The manse located at 23 Kempshall Street was purchased in 1914. Additions to the church were made in 1927.

The church is a plain brick structure, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. David Magie, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1820 to 1865. The present pastor is Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, 23 Kempshall Street.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 227.

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Robinson, Stewart, Manual and History of the Second Presbyterian Church. Elizabeth, Second Presbyterian Church, 1939-1940. 70 pp.

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Endeavor Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Dorothy Sales, Secretary, 9 Catherine Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Blades, Secretary, 458 Morris Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Corporation, vol. A, p. 149; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 5, p. 723; vol. 636, p. 311.

320. FIRST CHURCH OF PLAINFIELD, 1825--. 241 East Front Street, Plainfield, Union County.

The First Presbyterian Church of Plainfield was organized in 1825. The first few services were held in a grove of trees near the present church property, and then in the Academy building adjacent to the present church. In 1827, the first church was erected and dedicated on land donated by Mr. Mathias A. Brown and wife. It was a small white frame church of Colonial architecture with a small steeple.

Rev. Lewis Bond served the church for thirty-two years, building two churches in his time. During this period the "Anxious Seat" controversy took place, which caused the splitting of the congregation, and the forming of the Second Presbyterian Church (now Crescent Avenue), (entry 323), in 1848.

By 1850, the need for a larger place of worship was felt, and in 1855, the new church was erected. The congregation incorporated in 1857. The present church and chapel were erected in 1889. The manse located at 41 Sanford Avenue was purchased in 1921.

The church is a red brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows, a tall square bell tower, and high steeple.

Rev. Lewis Bond, a graduate of Princeton University, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1825 to 1857. The present pastor is Rev. Horace L. Fenton Jr., 61 Grandview Avenue.

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Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, I, 390.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Incorporations, 81 Leg., 13 Session, Statutes, p. 484; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 546, p. 354; vol. 675, p. 397; vol. 768, p. 128.

321. CLINTON CHURCH, 1829--. Center Street, Clinton, Hunterdon County.

This church, organized in 1829, began as a Sunday School. First services were held in the old stone schoolhouse and in private residences. The present church site was donated by Messrs. Bray and Taylor. A church was erected and dedicated in 1830. Fire destroyed the building in 1845, but it was rebuilt in 1846. Incorporation ensued in 1847. Property was purchased in 1869, and the manse adjacent to the church erected the same year. A chapel was added to the rear of the church for Sunday School purposes in 1885.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. William Millar Carmichael, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1829 to 1830. The present pastor is Rev. Theodore A. Rath, 105 Center Street.

Snell, James P., History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 547.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. P 2, p. 470; Deeds, vol. 58, p. 526¹/₂; vol. 141, pp. 756-760.

322. LIBERTY CORNER CHURCH, 1837--. Main Street, Liberty Corner, Somerset County.

Liberty Corner is situated about four miles south of Basking Ridge. The Annan family were the first to settle here and before the War for Independence it was known as Annan's Corner. The Presbyterian Church of Basking Ridge (entry 313) served this community. The congregation held their first meetings in the Brick Schoolhouse at Basking Ridge. A committee was named and the formal organization was founded. The corner stone was laid in 1837, although the church and chapel site deed was not obtained until 1838. The first church was a brick structure and was erected and dedicated in the same year. This church was in use up to 1869, when the present building was completed and dedicated.

The present church occupies the same site as the first one. In 1868, when the church was being erected, the material from the first church was saved and used in the construction of the present chapel, located a few feet west of the church. Liberty Corner Church was incorporated in 1876, and reincorporated in 1921.

This church is a frame structure of American type architecture, with a belfry, bell and plain windows.

Rev. James T. English, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, and Union College, served this church from 1838 to 1873. The present pastor is Rev. William D. Amos, Liberty Corner.

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323. CRESCENT AVENUE CHURCH, 1844--. Crescent and Watchung Avenues, Plainfield, Union County.

During Rev. Louis Bond's pastorate at the First Presbyterian Church in Plainfield, the famous "Anxious Seat" controversy took place which caused the splitting of the congregation and the founding of the Second Presbyterian Church (now Crescent Avenue Church). The above church was organized in 1844, by a group of members who met in the Plainfield Academy building next to the First Presbyterian Church on Front Street (entry 320). It was the occasion of the founding of the Second Presbyterian Church.

The first church was erected on a plot of ground corresponding to what is now 120 East Front Street, and was a modest but beautiful building. The manse erected in 1868 on Front Street, was sold in 1903, and a new one erected on Park Avenue the same year. In 1872, the corner stone for the Crescent Avenue Church was laid and the church erected. The land on which the church was erected was donated by Mr. Job Male, and incorporated in 1883. A fire destroyed the chapel and Sunday School room, in 1888, after which the destroyed section was rebuilt on a much larger scale.

In 1919, the Cook residence at Crescent Avenue and First Place was purchased, and for ten years served as an adjunct to the Sunday School at the rear of the church. This house was torn down in 1930, and ground was broken for a new building. A house adjacent to this building was acquired and served as a Church School and for other purposes, but was later torn down and the site became the church lawn. In October of 1931, the new church was erected, but occupied only a little over a month when it was destroyed by an appalling fire. Rebuilding began at once. In 1934, the first service was conducted in the present church.

During its earlier years the church was responsible for the organization and maintenance of three chapels. Bethel Chapel (entry 341), 5th and Roosevelt Streets, was started in 1884 as a mission for Negroes, and is still conducted as such. Hope Chapel (entry 342), 1888, had a new building erected for its use on Grant Avenue and West 6th Street in 1930. This chapel became independent under the name of the Grant Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 342). Warren Chapel, established about 1870, was under the wing of the Crescent Avenue Church in 1893, being organized as the Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 345) in 1916.

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The Crescent Avenue Church has Romanesque and Gothic architectural features and is a greystone structure with a belfry, steeple, and cathedral windows. The entire facade is of rock quarried at the Mount of Olives.

Rev. William Wittaker, served this church from 1844 to 1854. The present pastor is Rev. John J. Moment, 813 Park Avenue.

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324. GREYSTONE CHURCH, 1846-- . Elizabeth Avenue and Florida Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

A small Sabbath school of about twenty members assembled in 1836, at a schoolhouse on Second Street and continued holding their Sabbath services there until 1839, at which time the church was organized under the name and title of the First Congregational Church of Elizabeth Port. A site for the church was donated by Mr. George Gree, of New York. The corner stone was laid in the same year.

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In 1846, the church affiliated with the Presbyterian denomination and was enrolled in the Presbytery of Elizabeth and called the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth Port. Later it became known as the Marshall Street Presbyterian Church. The manse was erected in 1858, at Elizabeth Avenue and Geneva Street. In 1869, the church was enlarged.

The site on which the present church stands was purchased and the new structure of greystone was erected in 1895. The name was changed to, and incorporated as, Greystone Presbyterian Church. The first service in the new church was held late in the same year. The old bell which had pealed from the Marshall Street building for fifty-five years was installed in the tower of the new church.

The church is a greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Abraham Brown, served this church from 1838 to 1840. The present pastor is Rev. Murray Gayley, 228 Elizabeth Avenue.

Buckle, George, Year Book Semi-Centennial, 1846-96, of the Greystone Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, New Jersey. Elizabeth, Greystone Presbyterian Church, 1896. 18 pp.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 166; vol. B. p. 128; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 288, p. 416; vol. 392, p. 161; vol. 23, p. 318.

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325. SECOND CHURCH, 1849--. Main Street and New Brunswick Avenue, Rahway, Union County.

The people of lower Rahway as well as the Elders of the First Presbyterian Church had for some time felt the need of a church in that part of town. There had been a Sunday School established since 1830, called the Leesville Sunday School Association, which in 1833, erected a building on the corner of Main and William Streets. Services were held in this building from time to time.

A number of members of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 316) met in the home of Mr. Jonathan Woodruff and organized this Second Church in 1849. This new church rented the Leesville Sunday School house and erected an annex. In 1850, contracts were awarded for the building of the present church which was completed and dedicated in 1850. The Leesville Sunday School building was sold in 1869, and the proceeds were given to this church, at which time a new lecture room was added. In 1870, they incorporated and a chapel was erected known as the Grand Street Chapel. The manse located at 1072 Bryant Avenue was purchased in 1917.

The church is a brick and brownstone structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower housing a bell and clock, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Lewis H. Lee, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1850 to 1853. The present pastor is Rev. Gilbert F. Van Bever, 1072 Bryant Street.

Edgards, George P., History of Second Presbyterian Church of Rahway. Rahway, W. L. Marshon and Company, 1887. 61 pp.

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Record of deeds. Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 86, p. 83; vol. 707, p. 38; vol. 467, p. 377.

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326. FIRST CHURCH, 1851--. Springfield Avenue, Cranford
(formerly Cramerville), Union County.

A small group of persons of various denominations held its first meetings in the Old Red Schoolhouse on Union Avenue in 1832. In 1849, land was donated and the Union Chapel was erected. In 1851, this chapel was taken over by the First Church of Cramerville, when the present church was organized and incorporated. In 1869, the name was changed to the First Church of Cranford. The church was rebuilt in 1893, and dedicated in 1894. The manse adjacent to the church was erected on land donated in 1854, and was rebuilt in 1871.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, clock, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Arthur H. Lilly served this church from 1851 to 1854. The present pastor is Rev. William R. Sloane, 9 Springfield Avenue.

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Greene, George Francis, The First Presbyterian Church of Cranford, New Jersey. Rahway, The Mershon Company, 1901. 80 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 205; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 24, pp. 417-420; vol. 29, p. 89; vol. 42, pp. 575-583.

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327. PLUCKEMIN CHURCH, 1851--. Main Street, Pluckemin, Somerset County.

The Dutch Reformed Church of Bedminster served this vicinity thirty years prior to the purchasing of land, organization, and incorporation of the Pluckemin Church in 1851. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1852, on the site of the Pluckemin Reformed Church. The chapel adjacent to the church was purchased in 1912. The manse is located on the same highway, not far from the church.

The church is a frame building of Colonial architecture, with a tower, bell, steeple, and plain windows.

Rev. James Petrie, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1852 to 1854. The present pastor is Rev. Wilbur A. Wagar, Pluckemin.

Parry, Samuel, An Historical Discourse Delivered in the Presbyterian Church of Pluckemin, at Pluckemin, New Jersey, on March 12, 1901; on the Fiftieth Anniversary of its Organization. Somerville, The Somerville Publishing Company, 1901. 72 pp.

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Record of certificate of election and deeds: Somerset County Clerk's Office, Trustees Certificate of Election in Deeds, vol. M 2, p. 400; Deeds, vol. N 2, p. 370; vol. A 13, p. 371.

328. THIRD CHURCH, 1851--. West Scott Place and East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

The members of the Third Presbyterian Church were former communicants of the First and Second Churches (entries 309, 319). When this church was organized and incorporated in 1851, services were conducted in Collett Hall on Broad Street. A site for the present church was purchased in 1852, and erection of church started. The church was completed in 1853, and dedicated in 1856. The manse located at 539 Riverside Drive was erected in 1930.

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The church is a two story red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Robert Aikman served as pastor from 1851 to 1868. The present pastor is Rev. Wilhelm G. Felmeth, 539 Riverside Drive.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 231.

History and Manual Third Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, New Jersey. New York, Bunce and Company, 1871. 29 pp.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, p. 345.

Kerr, John T., Semi-Centennial Celebration of the Third Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, New Jersey, November 17-20, 1901. Elizabeth, Third Presbyterian Church, 1901. 21 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. B, p. 223; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1216, p. 174.

329. FIRST CHURCH, 1859--. Oak Tree Road, Iselin (formerly Uniontown), Middlesex County.

In the early part of 1859, about twenty-five persons of the Presbyterian faith in this section of Woodbridge Township (then known as Uniontown), met at the home of one of the members for the purpose of organizing a Presbyterian church. The latter part of the same year another meeting was held in the public school where organization took

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place in 1859, and the members selected the name Union Society for the church. They purchased a small one story frame structure for services. The members began to drift away in 1861, and from that time the church remained inactive until 1932, when a number of Presbyterians met in the old church and planned reorganization. They decided to change the name to the First Presbyterian Church, and the congregation incorporated as such in 1932. The church was rebuilt and dedicated in 1923.

The church is a plain cement block and frame structure, with plain windows, and one cathedral window in the facade.

Rev. John Mahon served this church from 1932 to 1935. The present pastor is Rev. A. H. Bahrenberg, Iselin.

Session Records, 1932--, 1 vol.; Congregational Records (Minutes), 1932--, 1 vol.; Record of Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1932--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1932--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1932--, 1 vol.; Women's Missionary Society Records, 1932--, 1 vol.; Young Men's Brotherhood Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Phillip Owens, Secretary and Clerk, Pershing Avenue.

Record of incorporation: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. W, p. 319.

330. SILOAM CHURCH, 1866--, Dickenson Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

This Negro church of the Presbyterian denomination was organized and incorporated in 1866. The Siloam Church held their first meetings in various homes. Ministers and financial aid were furnished by the Elizabeth Presbytery. A site was purchased on Washington Street (now called Dickenson Street) in 1867, and the church erected. Since 1922, this church has been conducted as a mission.

The church is a frame structure of Old English architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. William Carr served this church from 1882 to 1892. The church is now without a pastor.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 239.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Publishing Company, 1925, p. 347.

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custody of Mrs. Nellie Jackson, Church Statistician, 61 Butler Street. Sunday School Records, 1882--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Thomas Paynor, Custodian, 345 West Grant Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Hurd, Custodian, 117 Rector Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Harry Hurd, Secretary, 117 Rector Street. Financial Records, 1882--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Nellie Jackson.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 86; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 32, p. 1.

331. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1866--. Westminster Avenue and Prince Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

Members of the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 319), organized and incorporated the Westminster Church in 1866. The special reasons for organization were the lack of comfortable pew accommodations in the Second Church, a growing population in that portion of Elizabeth lying north of the railroads, and a conviction that the section should have a church of its own. The members held their first meetings in Liberty Hall on Elizabeth Avenue.

The present site was purchased, corner stone laid, church erected and opened late in 1867. The chapel was built a few years after the church, and was dedicated in 1871. The Hope Memorial Chapel (entry 342), was taken over by the Westminster Church in 1874, under whose jurisdiction the chapel remained until formally organized as a church. The church was dedicated in 1876. The manse located at 234 Bradford Road, Hillside, is rented.

The church, a brownstone structure of Romanesque architecture, has two towers, a steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. William C. Roberts served this church from 1866 to 1881. The present pastor is Rev. O. W. Buschgen, 234 Bradford Road, Hillside.

Crane, Lewis, Seventy-fifth Anniversary. Elizabeth, Henry Cook, 1931. 27 pp.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, p. 346.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1866--, 8 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Members, and Deaths, 1866--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1866--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Carl E. Holmes, Secretary, 966 Park Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1866--,

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3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Harry Way, Secretary, 155 Moorestown Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1887--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Eugenia Hoagland, Secretary, 1323 North Avenue. Financial Records, 1866--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert C. Johnson, Clerk, 1246 Waverly Place.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 69; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 17, pp. 605-607; vol. 179, p. 207; vol. 205, pp. 88-91; vol. 488, p. 235.

332. FIRST CHURCH, 1868--. Fifth Avenue and Chestnut Street, Roselle, Union County.

The first meetings of this church were held in the schoolhouse on Westfield Avenue, by Rev. A. H. Sloat of the Cramerville (now Cranford) Church (entry 326). In 1868, a petition was signed by 36 persons and sent to the Presbytery of Newark asking for the organization of a church. These 36 persons organized under the name of the First Presbyterian Church. One lot was purchased and the adjacent lot was donated for the erection of a church, the corner stone laid in the same year. The church was dedicated in 1869. In 1870, the church was incorporated, and in 1881, a wing was added for the ever increasing Sunday School.

A notable event took place in 1883 - it is claimed that this was the first church to be lighted by electricity. That year a parsonage was purchased on Second Avenue. In 1890, a movement was made for the erection of a new church. The old church was a small wooden building with a small belfry, bell, and two cathedral windows. Ground for the new church in front of their property facing Chestnut Street was broken and the corner stone laid in 1891. Dedication took place in 1893.

In 1905, the Sunday School was added to, and the lot on Chestnut Street, directly south of the new church, was purchased for the erection of the church house. Yet, it was not erected or dedicated until 1921. The old church is used for Sunday School classes. The manse on Second Avenue was sold in 1900, and a lot on Fifth Avenue was purchased and the new manse erected.

The church of no particular type of architecture is a frame structure, with belfry, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Charles A. Briggs served this church from 1870 to 1874. The present pastor is Rev. Herbert K. England, 117 West Fifth Avenue.

Blauvelt, J. A., A Short Story of the First Presbyterian Church of Roselle, 1899. New York, Bunnell, Silver, and Company, 1899. 29 pp. Brought up-to-date by Rev. Herbert K. England, 1936.

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Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, p. 448.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 133; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 46, p. 217; vol. 469, p. 10.

333. FIRST CHURCH, 1869--. Dunellen Avenue, Dunellen, Middlesex County.

When the First Church of Dunellen was organized in 1869, members held their first meetings at the residences of several members, and during the latter part of 1869, meetings were held in Odd Fellows Hall on New Market Road. Land for the erection of this church was donated to the congregation in 1870, and in 1871, the corner stone was laid and church erection was started. The congregation incorporated in the same year. In 1872, the church was completed and dedicated. Construction on the manse adjacent to the church was completed in the same year.

The church is a two story structure of modified Romanesque architecture, with steeple, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Merrill Hutchinson served this church from 1871 to 1873. The present pastor is Rev. Clarence E. Getz, 214 Dunellen Avenue.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 597.

Session Records, 1871--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1870--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles C. Dunham, Clerk, 308 Walnut Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1870--, 3 vols., Sunday School Records, 1930--, 2 vols.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1930--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1933--, 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 240; Deeds, vol. 128, p. 116; vol. 318, p. 148; vol. 629, p. 137.

334. FIRST CHURCH OF CLARKSVILLE, 1869--. Route #30, Glen Gardner, Hunterdon County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1869. First services were held in the Mondalia Academy at Glen Gardner. The site for a church building was donated by Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Hunt in 1869, and a church erected during that year.

Rev. William J. Henderson, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1873 to 1874. The present pastor is Rev. Roland T. Driscoll, Pittstown Road, Grandin, who also serves the Bethlehem Church (entry 311).

Snell, John P., History of Somerset and Hunterdon Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 452.

Session Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1869--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Casey B. Terri-Berry, Secretary, Route #30. Trustee Records (contain Financial Records), 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Howard Lance, Secretary, Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 4, p. 403; Deeds, vol. 144, p. 57.

335. GRAND STREET CHAPEL, 1870--. East Grand and Montgomery Streets, Rahway, Union County.

The organization and program of this Sunday School was sponsored by the Second Presbyterian Church of Rahway (entry 325). A site for the Grand Street Chapel was donated by Mr. George Ennis in 1870, and the chapel erected in 1871. This chapel continues in active sponsorship today.

The chapel is a plain frame structure, and has plain windows.

Mr. Irving West, a Princeton Theological student, presides on weekly visits.

Sunday School Records, 1871--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. James Mitchell, Secretary, 362 South Milton Avenue. Financial Records, 1873--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert L. Jones, Secretary of Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church, 243 West Lake Street.

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Record of deed: Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 86, p. 83.

336. LOWER VALLEY CHURCH, 1871--. Long Valley Road, Califon, Hunterdon County.

The Lower Valley Presbyterian Church was organized in 1871, by a group of members who withdrew from the German Valley Presbyterian Church (entry 436). A site for the erection of the church was purchased. The church and manse adjacent thereto were completed, and the congregation incorporated in 1872. The basement of the church was added in 1934. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church proper.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Reed, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1872 to 1874. The present pastor is Rev. Waldo H. Kihlstron, who resides at the manse.

Chambers, Theodore F., Early Germans of New Jersey, Dover, Dover Printing Company, 1895, pp. 160-162.

Snell, James P., History of Somerset and Hunterdon Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 426.

Session Records, 1872--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1872--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Norman Sliker, Treasurer, Califon Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1872--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William P. Philhower, Secretary, Long Valley Road. Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Lelia Schuyler, Secretary, Main Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Frank Burd, Secretary, Main Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 146, p. 565; Deeds, vol. 4, p. 452.

337. MADISON AVENUE CHURCH, 1873--. Madison and Fairmount Avenues, Elizabeth, Union County.

The origin of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church can be traced from a Sunday School located in North Elizabeth in 1873, established by Mr. Charles L. Dee, who along with other members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church (entry 331), suggested erecting a church

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of their own in that vicinity. A stable was finally donated by Mr. William H. Moore, the stable was remodeled and the Sunday School started. The session of the Westminster Church managed and directed the services in the chapel. During 1874, the building was enlarged.

A meeting was called in 1877, to consider organizing a Presbyterian Church. Application was made to the Elizabeth Presbytery, and later the same year, the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church was organized and recognized as such by the Presbytery. In 1880, the congregation incorporated; and in 1884, the church was dedicated. The manse located at 811 Kilsythe Road was purchased in 1923.

The church is a frame building of Colonial architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. Albert L. Clark, served this church from 1877 to 1879. The present pastor is Rev. Nathaniel S. Reeves, 811 Kilsythe Road.

Bicknell, Luther Moore, Minutes of Organization of Madison Avenue Church. Elizabeth, Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1924.

Bowering, Allen G., Fifty Years of Progress. Elizabeth, Madison Avenue Church, 1923. 33 pp.

Clayton, William Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1892, p. 346.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Publishing Company, 1923, pp. 231, 232.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1879--, 3 vols.; Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1879--, 6 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1873--, 4 vols.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Mother's Guild Records, 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. George E. Tubbs, Secretary, 764 Vivian Terrace. Financial Records, 1879--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George E. Tubbs, Clerk.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. 1, p. 343; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 166, p. 593; vol. 916, p. 48.

338. HOPE MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1874--. Spring and Olive Street, Elizabeth, Union County.

Members of the Second and Third Presbyterian Churches of Elizabeth (entries 319, 328), organized the Hope Mission in 1874, holding

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their meetings in a schoolhouse where Negro children were taught. This mission was later known as Westminster Hope Memorial Chapel (entry 331). The Trustees in the same year purchased a building known as the Wolverton School and moved it to the present site. First services in the new Chapel were held in August of the same year. In 1885, this chapel was offered to the Westminster Church and the congregation purchased the Olive Street property.

Through the years the congregation progressed, and in 1894, it was necessary to add another building and a manse, which in a short time proved to be inadequate. In 1897, a building fund was started through receipt of a memorial gift and other contributions, making it possible to erect the present building, which was dedicated in 1913. In 1924, Hope Memorial Church was incorporated, and in 1936, Westminster Church presented the deed to the organization. The present manse is rented by the church.

The church is a plain stuccoed structure, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. William B. Hamilton served this church from 1893 to 1926. The present pastor is Rev. John B. Crowell, 512 Jefferson Avenue.

Fiftieth Anniversary of Sunday School, February 1, 1924.
Elizabeth Daily Journal, 1937.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1925--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edgar R. Hughes, Clerk, 1013 Olive Street. Sunday School Records, 1874--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. James Hilliar, Secretary, 1020 Monroe Avenue. Intermediate Christian Endeavor Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Aiken, Secretary, 835 Madison Avenue. Senior Christian Endeavor Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Dorothy Smith, Secretary, 1038 Emma Street. Financial Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Lewis Miller, Secretary, 18 Reid Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 180; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1330, p. 248.

339. ELMORA CHURCH, 1875--. Magie and Shelley Avenue, Elizabeth, Union County.

The Presbytery of Elizabeth organized the First German Church (now Elmora) in 1875, with forty-three members. The first two services were held in the Marshall Street Church (now Greystone), (entry 324); then services were continued in Maa's Hall on Third and Fulton Streets.

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A Sunday School was organized in 1876, at which time a site for a new church was purchased. The corner stone was laid and the church incorporated in 1877, and dedicated in 1878. The congregation became self-supporting in 1881.

The manse on Third street was erected in 1893. The Parish Hall was erected in 1903. The church and manse were sold in 1919, to St. Peter and Paul Russian Orthodox Church. The new manse on West End Place was purchased in 1928.

After a lapse of nine years the organization was revived, and the Elmora Chapel (portable) was erected in 1928, at which time the Sunday School began their services anew in the field. The Elmora chapel was dedicated in 1928, and the name changed to Elmora Presbyterian Church. A site was purchased for the present church in 1930.

The present church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. John Rudolph, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1875 to 1879. The present pastor is Rev. Franklin L. Artley, 7 West End Place.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 239.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, I, 347.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1875-1919, 3 vols.; 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Record of Births and Marriages, 1875-1919, 1 vol.; 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William A. Williamson, Clerk, 537 Grant Avenue, East Roselle Park. Sunday School Records, 1875-1919, 2 vols.; 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Theodore Pfarrer, Superintendent, 826 Westfield Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Elsie Weiman, Secretary, 245 Crawford Place. Ladies' Aid Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Ross Ingalls, Secretary, 237 Monmouth Road. Westminster Guild Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Harriett Dow, Secretary, 19 Walnut Street. Financial Records, 1875-1919, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 2, p. 23; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 915, p. 49; vol. 1197, p. 219.

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340. DEUTSCHE CHURCH, 1882-1889. Extinct. Irving Street near Grand Street, Rahway, Union County.

This congregation was formed by a group of Germans who wished to hear services in their own language, in 1882. Prior to the purchase of their own church they held their meetings in a rented store on Grand Street. In 1884, they became incorporated; and in 1885, they purchased the Irving Street Baptist Church. After a period of seven years, the church was forced to close its doors due to lack of support.

Rev. C. L. Albrecht served this church from 1882 to 1888.

History of Union County, Newark, East Jersey History Company, p. 370.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 91; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 173, pp. 155-157; vol. 526, p. 98.

341. BETHEL CHAPEL, 1884--. 300 East 5th Street, Plainfield, Union County.

The Bethel Chapel was organized as a mission by the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church of Plainfield (entry 323), in 1884. Mr. Stephen A. Ginna, a prominent member of the Crescent Avenue Church, started a Sunday School class in his kitchen for Negroes, and later moved to a room over his coach house. Mr. Ginna purchased the church in 1887, from the German Lutherans, located at 6th and New Streets. It was torn down and the present church erected. The manse located at 751 Webster Avenue, owned by the Crescent Avenue Church, was erected in 1919.

The church is a red brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. Thomas Lee served this church from 1887 to 1888. The present pastor is Rev. Leslie A. Taylor, 751 Webster Avenue.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County. New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, pp. 388, 389.

Sketch in Plainfield Courier News, November 17, 1934, p. 8.

Church Committee Records, 1931--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Helen Conway, General Secretary, 843 Richmond Street. Annual Reports recorded in minutes of Crescent Avenue Church. Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1931--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George Dillard, Secretary, 238 Summer Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1933--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Dorothy Stills, 1285 East Second Street. Financial Records, 1931--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. James D. Smith, Treasurer, 705 Richmond Street.

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342. GRANT AVENUE CHURCH, 1888--, 605 Grant Avenue, Plainfield, Union County.

At the time this group organized as Hope Chapel Sunday School, they were under the jurisdiction of the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church (entry 323) at East Fifth Street and Roosevelt Avenue, from 1888 to 1889. During the latter part of 1889, a building on West Fourth Street and Plainfield Avenue was rented, and services were held here until a site for the present church was purchased in 1927. In 1930, the congregation incorporated as the Grant Avenue Presbyterian Church. The manse located at 902 West 6th Street is rented.

The church is a stuccoed structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. G. K. Newell, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1890 to 1901. The present pastor is Rev. Roland Bohnsen, 902 West 6th Street.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Union and Middlesex Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1882, p. 308.

Session Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Firstbrook, Clerk, 1133 West 5th Street. Trustee Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert Baille, Secretary, 961 West Third Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1888--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1888-1930, 5 vols., in custody of Crescent Avenue Church; 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edgar Varden, Secretary, 625 Brookside Place. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. George Stracher, President, 1145 West Fifth Street. Ladies' Auxiliary Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Walter Penny, President, 424 West Eighth Street. Financial Records, 1888--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, File 80, Doc. 272; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1210, p. 79.

343. FIRST CHURCH, 1893--. 83 Carteret Avenue, Carteret, Middlesex County.

At a meeting held in the Blazing Star Schoolhouse of Carteret in 1893, this First Presbyterian Church was organized and incorporated. This church was the outgrowth of a Sunday School which was organized through the efforts of Rev. Joseph McNulty. For several months during the year of 1894, while the Blazing Star School was being altered, the dining room of the Canda Hotel was used for services. The church was

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erected and completed in 1898. The site where the church now stands was purchased in 1904, at which time the manse was erected. Additional land was purchased in 1913.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Ernest R. Brown, a graduate of Oberlin College, served this church from 1898 to 1909. The present pastor is Rev. Daniel E. Lorentz, 83 Carteret Avenue.

Lorentz, Daniel E., A History and Directory of the First Presbyterian Church of Carteret, New Jersey, 1893-1932.
Carteret, First Presbyterian Church, 1933. 27 pp.

Session Records, 1893--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. R. W. Thom, Clerk, 141 West Stern Street, Rahway. Trustee Records, 1893--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Seel, Secretary, Harrison Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1893--, 4 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1927--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Mission Band Records, 1897--, 1 vol.; Mother Teachers' Association Records, 1925--, 1 vol.; The Brotherhood Records, 1931--, 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1900--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporation, vol. C, p. 308; Deeds, vol. 294, p. 296; vol. 295, p. 418; vol. 360, p. 408; vol. 516, p. 1.

344. LOCUST GROVE UNION CHAPEL, 1893-1933. Closed. Lake Avenue, Westfield, Union County.

This organization was started as a Sunday School in the residence of Mrs. Samuel Badgley of Westfield, in 1815. Classes were then transferred to Old Academy in Westfield during the year of 1818, and then removed to the Locust Grove Schoolhouse, commonly called "Bee Hive" until 1856, when the "Bee Hive" was torn down. Sunday School classes were then discontinued until 1857. They resumed at an unknown location until 1862.

During the Civil War, Sunday School was again discontinued, but reorganized and resumed under the auspices of Westfield Baptist Church, in 1871.

There are no records available regarding Sunday School activities between 1874 and 1893, when a site for a Presbyterian Chapel was donated by Mrs. Kate B. High. A building fund was established upon a reorganization and incorporation in 1893. The chapel was rebuilt in 1900, and dedicated in 1901. In 1933, the Sunday School was disbanded

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and its membership absorbed by the Sunday School of the Westfield Church (entry 310).

The first regular Sunday School Superintendent was Mr. Edwin Downer, who served from 1822 to 1824.

McKinney, William K., Charles A. Philhauer, and Harry A. Kniffin, Commemorative History of Presbyterian Church of Westfield, 1728-1928, Westfield, Presbyterian Church, 1928, pp. 225-228.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 6, p. 73; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 296, p. 13.

345. WATCHUNG AVENUE CHURCH, 1893--. 170 Watchung Avenue, North Plainfield, Somerset County.

The story of the Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church begins much earlier than its organization date. In 1855, a Sunday School of a non-sectarian nature was started in the community of North Plainfield, where in 1870, the Warren Union Chapel was erected. This chapel was located on Chatham Street in North Plainfield. As its name implies, it was at first used by several denominations for Sunday Schools and occasional services. In 1893, the entire interest in the Warren Union Chapel was acquired by the Crescent Avenue Church (entry 323), and was in charge of Rev. Joseph Orr McKelvey.

The present site was purchased in 1906; the Watchung Avenue house of worship was erected and dedicated in 1907. A petition to the Presbytery of Elizabeth for recognition as a church was answered favorably in 1916. The name was changed from Warren Union Chapel to the Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church in the same year. The manse was erected in 1893.

The church is a brick structure of Roman architecture, with a tower, and plain windows.

Rev. Joseph Orr McKelvey, served this church from 1893 to 1923. The present pastor is Rev. Earl Edwin Blair, 61 Grandview Avenue, North Plainfield.

Session Records, 1916--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Theodore J. Higgins, Secretary, 184 Jefferson Avenue. Trustee Records, 1916--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. William Sperry, Secretary, 36 Coddington Avenue. Deacons Records, 1916--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Koller, Secretary, 172 Dure Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1916--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records,

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1855--, 15 vols., in custody of Mr. Leandre Lowell, Secretary, Third Place, and Mr. Charles Bryan, Superintendent, 322 Watchung Avenue. Young Women's Society Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. William Bornmann, Secretary, 48 Mountain Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Marion Whitely, Secretary, 38 Norwood Avenue. Financial Records, 1916--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. L. Loyal Naylor, Treasurer, 30 Rockview Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Somerset County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 4, p. 163; Deeds, vol. C-P, p. 3; vol. E 22, p. 460.

346. GARWOOD CHURCH, 1898--. East Spruce Street, Garwood, Union County.

The Garwood Presbyterian Church was started as a Sunday School in a store on Centre Street in 1898, by Mr. Charles Bingimo of Westfield, and continued as such until organization of this church in 1905, under the jurisdiction of the Westfield Presbyterian Church (entry 310). In 1906, a site was purchased. A church was erected, and was dedicated in 1907. The manse located at 413 Centre Street was purchased in 1906. The congregation incorporated in 1918.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward Love, a graduate of Oxford University, served this church from 1905 to 1912. The church is now without a pastor.

Session Records, 1905--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Mackay, Clerk, 1025 Grandview Avenue, Westfield. Trustee Records, 1905--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ralph Clark, Secretary, 1030 Grandview Avenue, Westfield. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Donald B. Swartz, Secretary, 298 Hemlock Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Dorothy Malahow, Secretary, 151 Spruce Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Donald B. Swartz, Secretary. Financial Records, 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ralph Clark, Secretary.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 21, p. 414; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 742, p. 557; vol. 473, p. 415.

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347. HILLSIDE CHURCH, 1908--. Salem and Coe Avenues, Hillside, Union County.

The Hillside Presbyterian Church was organized in 1908, by residents attending the Second Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth (entry 319). Their first services were held at Mr. Thomas Beal's residence, located at 312 Conant Street. Mr. Beal later had his barn fitted for worship and for Sunday School classes. In 1910, the site of the present church was donated by Mr. H. H. Isham, and a chapel was erected. The manse located at 1141 Salem Avenue was purchased in 1920. The congregation incorporated in 1921. In 1924, additional land was donated, and the chapel was moved to the rear of the present church. Laying of the corner stone and dedication of the church took place in 1925.

The church is a brick and stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. George Dunshee served this church from 1908 to 1921. The present pastor is Rev. George M. Runner, 1141 Salem Avenue.

Woodruff, George Coyne, History of Hillside and Vicinity, Hurden Looker Post #50, American Legion, 1934, p. 226.

Session Records, 1917--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Ebert, Clerk, 37 Herden Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Dr. William Hinman, Treasurer, 1101 Salem Avenue. Record of Births, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Arthur Chambers, Superintendent, 1039 Prospect Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Theodore Egnor, Secretary, 44 Looker Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Betty Totterweich, Secretary, 284 Hollywood Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 117; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 994, p. 463; vol. 996, pp. 422, 423.

348. ITALIAN EVANGELICAL MISSION, 1910--. 24 Maple Avenue, Bernardsville, Somerset County.

This is a mission of Basking Ridge Church (entry 313). This mission represents one of the outstanding features in the pastorate of Rev. John T. Reeve, pastor of Basking Ridge Church, under whose efforts organization and dedication were effected in 1910. The site on which this chapel and the manse were erected were purchased from Mr. Samuel S. Childs by the Presbyterian Church at Basking Ridge in 1909.

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The chapel is a plain one story stone structure, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Thomas Barbieri, a graduate from a Lyceum in Italy, where he was ordained for the Catholic Priesthood, served this mission from 1910 to 1916. He attended Columbia University for five years.

Records of this mission are incorporated in those of the Presbyterian Church of Basking Ridge (entry 313).

Record of deeds: Somerset County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 12, p. 18; vol. N, p. 250; vol. W, p. 103.

349. ITALIAN CHURCH, 1912--. 357 East Third Street, Plainfield, Union County.

Late in 1910, at a meeting of the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Plainfield (entry 320), attended by Rev. Louis Bond, a retired missionary from Albania, and Mr. Niles Roberts, it was decided to start this mission for the Italians in Plainfield.

In 1911, a vacant store was rented at 409 East Third Avenue by Rev. Edward Boretti, who had been called to take charge, where services together with Sunday School classes in English, and courses in citizenship were conducted.

The mission and the work progressed to such an extent that in 1922 they purchased the Temple Baptist Church at 357 East Third Street (present church), and in 1928, an addition was made to the Sunday School.

The church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Edward Boretti, Educated in Italy, served this church from 1912 to 1914. The present pastor is Rev. Aurelio R. Mangione, 335 East Third Street.

Mangione, Aurelio R., History of Italian Presbyterian Church. Plainfield, Courier, 1933.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1912--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Chironna, Secretary, 12 East Second Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1912--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Victor Blasucci, Secretary, 341 East Third Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward DiDario, Secretary, 283 Watson Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Aurelio Mangione, Custodian, 335 East Third

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Street. Financial Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Domenica D. Davis, Treasurer, 293 Watson Avenue.

Record of deed: Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1001, p. 143.

350. MADISON AVENUE CHAPEL, 1914--. Madison Avenue, Westfield, Union County.

The Madison Avenue Chapel was organized and incorporated in 1914, by members of the Presbyterian Church of Westfield (entry 310), and a site was purchased the same year. Preliminary meetings, prior to erection of the chapel, were held in Pioneer Hall. At first this chapel operated under the direction of an inter-church committee, composed of Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, and Baptists. The Sunday School was added in 1927.

The chapel is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a tower, and plain windows.

Rev. E. E. Renn served this chapel from 1922 to 1923. The present pastor is Rev. John E. Slater, 224 Liberty Street.

Sketch in Westfield Leader, December 9, 1937.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1923--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. John Brynidsen, Clerk, 18 Johnson Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1914--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Louis Horwarth, Secretary, 948 Prospect Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Bessie Erickson, Secretary, 144 Overhill Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1914--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Louis Horwarth, Secretary. Financial Records, 1914--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Otto Sobode, Treasurer, 153 Madison Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 19, p. 282; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 643, p. 230.

351. MAGYAR CHURCH, 1915--. 453 Magnolia Avenue, Elizabeth, Union County.

This congregation was originally founded as a Magyar congregation, with no particular denominational affiliations, through the efforts of Rev. Michael Toth in 1915. The members met in various residences.

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Organization of and acceptance by Presbytery as a Presbyterian congregation occurred in 1916, at which time they incorporated. A site was purchased and the church erected in 1917.

The church is a frame structure of Georgian Colonial architecture, with a steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Michael Toth served this church from 1915 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. Arpad George, 445 Magnolia Avenue.

Honeyman, A. Van Doren, History of Union County, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1923, p. 347.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1918--, 2 vols.; Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1918--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Records, 1918--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Julius Franco, Secretary, 809 Chancellor Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1918--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Stephen Erdody, Secretary, 56 Johnson Avenue, Cranford. Junior Christian Endeavor Records, 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Elsie Jenny, Secretary, 511 Magnolia Avenue. Financial Records, 1918--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Vince Kodilla, Custodian, 519 Magnolia Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 20, p. 521; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 701, p. 179.

352. FIRST CHURCH, 1924--. Woodbridge Avenue, Avenel, Middlesex County.

As near as can be ascertained, the origin of the church was in 1924 as the Presbyterian Society of Avenel. Services were held in the Woodbridge School #4, on Avenel Street.

In 1928, Mr. Benjamin B. Clark deeded the present site of the church. The building was completed in 1929, and dedicated in 1930, at which time the manse was also completed. The congregation incorporated in 1929. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Claude J. Morrow, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1929 to 1930. The present pastor is Rev. Robert MacBride, Avenel.

Hunt, Ezra M., Metuchen and Her History. New York, Fisk Russel and Arnes, 1870. 392 pp.

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Session Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Hiram Tuttle, Custodian, Prospect Avenue. Trustee Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Norman Aumach, Custodian, Avenel. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Financial Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Adolph Rasmussen, Custodian, Avenel.

Record of incorporation: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. V, p. 38.

353. SLOVAK CALVINISTIC CHAPEL, 1925--. Hoy Avenue, Fords, Woodbridge, Middlesex County.

This mission was started by Rev. Joseph Simko, who came here each Sunday from Elizabeth to conduct services. The first meetings prior to organization of the church in 1925, were held in various residences and in the Perth Amboy Slovak Church. At a meeting in 1926, held in the Presbyterian Church at Perth Amboy (entry 314), the name Slovak Calvinistic was selected and incorporated. A site was purchased for the erection of the chapel, and dedication took place in 1929.

The chapel is a two story brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower, two bells, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Joseph Simko served until 1925, and was succeeded by Rev. Michael Magyar, pastor of the Slovak Calvinistic Church, Herbert Street, Perth Amboy (entry 354).

Session Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George Vincze, Clerk, F. R. D., Phoenix. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1929--, 1 vol.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. All records are in Slavish.

Record of deed: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. Q, p. 511.

354. SLOVAK CALVINISTIC CHURCH, 1925--. 337 Herbert Street, Perth Amboy, Middlesex County.

The latter part of 1924, a number of Slavish citizens of this city, who were of the Presbyterian faith, held a meeting in the residence of a member and formulated plans for the organization of a church. The members held their first meetings in a hall on Kirkland Place, owned by the Magyar Church. The congregation incorporated in 1924. In 1925, land was purchased and plans for the erection of their own church were

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made. In the same year the church was completed and dedicated. Additional land was purchased in 1925. The sermons are in Slavish. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

The church structure is plain brick, with cathedral windows, and has two bells.

Rev. Michael Magyar, educated in Europe, has served this church from 1925.

Session Records (include Financial Records), 1925--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. All Records are in Slavish.

Record of incorporation and deed: Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 827, p. 38; Deeds, vol. 863, p. 380.

355. SECOND CHURCH, 1930--. Porter Road and Stanley Terrace, Union Township, Union County.

Beginning as a Sunday School in 1929, church services were first held in a small store on Andrews Avenue the following year. When this church was first organized, it was known as North End Chapel.

The church was built on land purchased by the First Presbyterian Church of Connecticut Farms (entry 312), of which the Second Church is a colony. The building was completed and dedicated in 1930, and the congregation incorporated in 1937.

This church is a frame portable building, cathedral windows, and has a bell.

Rev. Ronald White served this church from 1930 to 1932. The present pastor is Rev. William B. Sharratt, 1525 Rose Terrace.

Session Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Alvin Ruettgers, Clerk, 1705 Edmond Terrace. Trustee Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edward Mayer, Secretary, 1220 Morrison Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Edward Mayer, Secretary, Ladies' Aid Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Partington, Secretary, 1977 Hillside Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert Howe, Secretary, 1630 Van Ness Terrace. Financial Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Gustave P. Krohn, Treasurer, 2022 Oakwood Terrace.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, File 236, Docket 3; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1373, p. 170.

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356. SLOVAK CALVINISTIC CHAPEL (Tremley Mission), 1930--. 3014 Tremley Point Road, Linden (Tremley Section), Union County.

About a dozen Slovak persons, in 1929, held cottage meetings in residences. In 1930, these members organized and rented a store on Tremley Point Road in which to hold their services. They continued to hold services here until the completion of this church. In 1934, land was purchased, ground broken, a corner stone laid, the congregation incorporated. The church was dedicated in 1935. The manse adjacent to the church is a one story frame dwelling, and was erected in 1933.

This church is a plain frame structure, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Milyocik, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1933.

Session Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Mike Kraynik, Clerk, 2611 Grasselli Avenue. Trustee Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Paul Verchik, Secretary, 2605 Grasselli Avenue. Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Mike Babinshak, Custodian, 706 Batchelor Avenue, Linden. Sunday School Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Tomasula, Secretary, 112 Arthur Street. Financial Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Mike Kraynik, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 2, p. 93; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1287, p. 97.

357. FANWOOD CHURCH, 1932--. Marion Avenue and Ruth Street, Fanwood, Union County.

The Fanwood Presbyterian Church in 1929, was known as the "Union Gospel Service", with the organization meeting held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hilbie on South Avenue. Several days later, the members had their first service in the Public School on LeGrande Avenue. The Sunday School was organized the same year. A site was donated for the erection of the present church in 1932, at which time it was organized. The church was erected, dedicated, and the congregation incorporated in 1933.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with plain windows, and has a tower and bell.

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Rev. Duncan S. Cameron, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, served from 1929 to 1933. The present pastor is Rev. David W. Baker, 56 Chetwood Terrace.

The Story of An Enterprise for Christ. Fanwood, Fanwood Presbyterian Church, 1940. 16 pp.

Session Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Louis D. Adam, Clerk, 47 Helen Street. Trustee Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Lawrence M. Sanbour, Secretary, 39 Helen Street, Garwood. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1929--, 4 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Leander Query, Secretary, 94 South Martine Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. King Gould, Custodian, 250 North Avenue. Financial Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Albert H. Riblet, Treasurer, 100 Russell Road.

Record of incorporation and deed: Union County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 2, p. 85; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1283, pp. 237, 238.

358. TOWNLEY CHAPEL, 1938--. Salem and Huguenot Avenue, Union Township, Union County.

This chapel is under the jurisdiction of the Third Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth (entry 328). A site for the erection of this chapel was purchased in 1936, ground broken and chapel erected and dedicated in 1937.

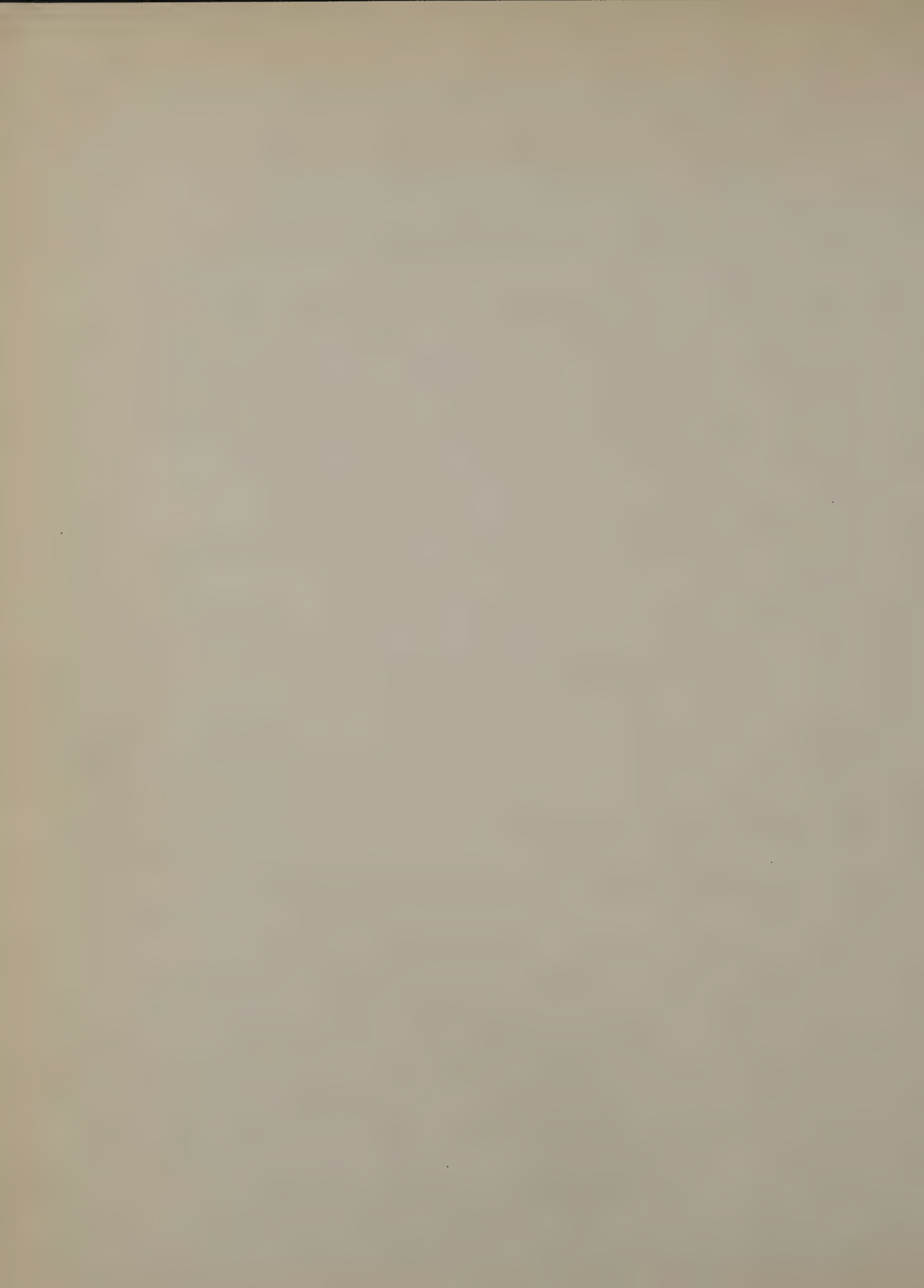
The chapel is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, and has plain windows.

Rev. Bruce W. Evans, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, is the pastor.

Trustee Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harold A. Stanley, Secretary, 965 Townley Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths (incorporated with the Third Presbyterian Church records). Sunday School Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Grace Milly, Secretary, 964 Townley Avenue. Financial Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George Gibb, Treasurer, 333 Putnam Road.

Record of deeds: Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 1331, p. 521; vol. 1346, pp. 464, 485; vol. 1352, p. 117.

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359. PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY, 1870--. Dr. David W. Hutchinson, Stated Clerk, 99 De Mott Avenue, Clifton.

In the general reorganization plan for presbyteries of the Synod of New Jersey, in 1870, the Synod in session at Elizabeth in June of that year organized the Presbytery of Jersey City. This new organization comprised the counties of Hudson, Passaic, and Bergen. Prior to this program, these churches had been grouped in the short-lived Passaic Presbytery or in the older Presbytery of Newark. Regular meetings of the Presbytery are held five times each year.

The growth of this presbytery can be seen from the following figures: In 1870, upon organization, there were 31 ministers and 20 churches; today there are 70 ministers and fifty churches.

The first Moderator of Presbytery was Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D. D.; the first Stated Clerk was Rev. Edward W. French, D. D. The present Moderator of Presbytery is Rev. John W. Voorhis; the Stated Clerk is Rev. David W. Hutchinson, D. D.

Presbytery Records, 1870--, 1 bundle, in custody of Rev. David W. Hutchinson, D. D., Stated Clerk.

360. WEST MILFORD CHURCH, 1806--. Main Street, West Milford, Passaic County.

Feeling the need of a house of worship as early as 1806, the residents organized on the farm of Mr. Andrew Miller, who donated the land on which the Presbyterian Meeting House was constructed. The congregation incorporated in 1807, under the title of Trustees of New Milford English Presbyterian Meeting House. Due to increase in population by 1818, it was decided to construct by popular subscription a larger church. It was admitted to the Jersey City Presbytery in 1819.

Fire destroyed the structure in 1842, but the new church, paid for by public subscription, was dedicated on the present site in the same year. An old schoolhouse was later presented by the pastor, Rev. J. Thompson Osler, for use as a chapel.

The congregation reincorporated in 1906, 1907, and again in 1922, as: Trustees of the West Milford Presbyterian Church.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a tower, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Jacob Tuttle served this church from 1821 to 1832. The present pastor is Rev. Louis Gaston Leary, West Milford.

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Terhune, Gilbert V. P., History of the West Milford, New Jersey Presbyterian Church. Butler, James Smith, 1932. 16 pp.

Ranchfuss, William H., 100th Anniversary, Township of West Milford, Passaic County, 1834-1934, New Jersey, Butler, Argus Print, 1934, pp. 42-44.

Record of incorporations and deed: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. P, p. 35; Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B 2, p. 280; vol. Y, p. 399; Deeds, vol. W 30, p. 330.

361. FIRST CHURCH, 1809-1830. 1844-1890. Merged. Washington and Sussex Streets, Jersey City, Hudson County.

A Presbyterian Society was formed in North Bergen Township (now Jersey City) during 1809, by Rev. Dr. Miller. Services were held in the Jersey Academy on Sussex Street. These services were held until 1825, when the society became a Presbyterian church and erected a frame building at Washington and Sussex Streets, on ground donated by the Jersey Associates. Services were held until 1830, at which time they lost their pastor, Rev. James S. Olcott. After the loss of their pastor, the Presbyterian Society affiliated with and became the First Reformed Church in order to secure Rev. Stephen Meeker, whom the congregation wanted to preside, and who was the pastor of a Reformed Dutch Church on Long Island.

After 1830, there existed no Presbyterian Church in Jersey City until, at a meeting held in the home of Mr. Andrew Clerk on Morris Street, it was decided to form a Presbyterian Church again. In 1844, the First Presbyterian Church reorganized and incorporated, and for a year held their services in the First Reformed Dutch Church. The Jersey Associates, and Messrs. Gregory and David Henderson, donated the present site for the erection of a church building.

During 1844, the First Presbyterian Church of New York, located on Wall Street, decided to move uptown in New York City. This building was purchased and moved over to Jersey. The Ferry Company agreed to charge five cents per load for the 7,456 loads necessary to bring the building materials across the Hudson River. It was completed and dedicated in 1845. In 1888, the congregation with the permission of the Presbytery of Jersey City, sold the church property, and in 1890, merged with the First Presbyterian Church of Bergen, at 30 Emory Street, the combined churches taking the name of the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City (entry 371).

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Rev. James S. Olcott served this church until 1830, and was the first pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

French, Edward W., Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Presbyterian Church of Jersey City Heights. Jersey City, First Presbyterian Church, 1881. 127 pp.

Imbrie, Charles K., History of the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City. New York, Anson D. F. Randolph and Company, 1888. 136 pp.

Van Winkle, Daniel, Hudson County Early History and Formation, 1916, p. 17.

Winfield, Charles Hardenburg, History of the County of Hudson, New York, Hennard and Hay Stationery Manufacturing and Printing Company, 1874, p. 401.

Session Records, 1844-90; 1903-22, 4 vols.; Trustee Records, 1844-82, 1 vol.; Record of Communicants, 1844-90, 1 vol., in Princeton Theological Seminary Library.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Hudson County Register's Office, Transcribed Deeds, vol. 3, pp. 312, 313; vol. 6, p. 702; Deeds, vol. 10, pp. 241-244; pp. 638-640.

362. FIRST CHURCH, 1813--. Corner Main, Ward, and Oliver Streets, Paterson, Passaic County.

The history of Presbyterianism in Paterson dates from the organization and incorporation of the First Presbyterian Church in 1813. Members of the Old Dutch Church of Totowa, meeting in the residence of Mr. O. D. Ward, of Paterson, formed a Presbyterian Society and made plans for the erection of a church. In this group was a Miss Sarah Colt, who is credited with establishing one of the earliest Sabbath Schools in New Jersey in 1794. This school continued as a part of the newly formed church.

In 1814, ground was donated by the Society for Establishing Useful Manufactures, and the erection of the brick church was begun on the present site. It was completed in 1822, but the same year this structure was struck by lightning and partially destroyed. It was rebuilt in 1830. During 1850, the church was again destroyed by fire. The present church erection was begun at once, completed in 1851, and dedicated in 1852.

The following churches originated from this church: The Second Church (entry 364); Westminster Church (entry 386); Totowa Church (entry 402); Italian Church (entry 411).

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The church is a brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows, and has a belfry and bell.

Rev. Samuel Fisher, a graduate of Williams College and Theological Seminary, served this church from 1814 to 1834. The present pastor is Rev. Louis Van Den Burg, 27 Manor Road.

McCartney, Clarence Edward, History of First Presbyterian Church, Paterson, New Jersey. Paterson, First Church of Paterson. 32 pp.

Nelson, William, The First Church of Paterson, New Jersey. Paterson, Call Printing and Publishing Company, 1893. 482 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records; Financial Records; Record of Baptisms, Members, and Deaths), 1813--, 20 vols., in custody of Mr. Samuel Barbour, Clerk, 462 Ellison Street. Record of Marriages, 1914--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Attendance Records, 1908--, 20 vols.; Record of Teacher's Meetings, 1918--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert L. Craig, Secretary, 53 Franklin Avenue, Hawthorne. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Treesa Gorab, Custodian, Belmont Avenue, Haledon. Ladies' Aid Records, 1924--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Huising, Secretary, 93 Lee Avenue, Hawthorne.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. A, p. 100; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. E 2, p. 72; vol. U 2, p. 372; vol. E 3, p. 253.

363. NEWFOUNDLAND CHURCH, 1818--. Main Road, Oak Ridge, Passaic County.

This congregation was organized in 1816, and incorporated in 1819, under the title,-- The Trustees of the First Presbyterian Congregation at Newfoundland. Meetings were held in the schoolhouse until the church was completed shortly afterward. The present house of worship was remodeled in 1868; the manse was constructed in 1873. The Church House was dedicated in 1937.

The church of early American meeting house type of architecture is a frame structure, and has a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward Allen served this church from 1818 to 1819. The church is at present without a pastor.

Religious Societies at Milton, January 31, 1903. Milton, New Jersey, Evergreen News, Joseph Headley, Editor, 1903, pp. 5, 19, 20, 21.

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Session Records, 1878-- , 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1878-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Curtis Fredericks, Secretary, Main Road. Sunday School Records, 1925-- , 2 vols., in custody of Miss Anna Dunham, Superintendent, Oak Ridge. Financial Records, 1878-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry W. Fredericks, Treasurer, Main Road.

Record of incorporation: Passaic County Clerk's Office.
Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 138.

364. SECOND CHURCH, 1840-1928. Merged. 253 Broadway, Paterson, Passaic County.

This beautiful Presbyterian Church was founded by a group of members from the First Presbyterian Church (entry 362). These members held their first meetings in a Methodist Church, located at Smith and Hotel (now Hamilton) Streets, in 1840. Here they organized and incorporated. A site was purchased the same year on Ellison Street. This site proved unsatisfactory, was sold, and they purchased a site on Prospect Street. Here they subsequently erected a church.

This building proved inadequate, and in 1843, a site at Church and Ellison Streets was purchased. A frame building was erected and completed in 1845. In 1876, the church was damaged by fire, and a new church erected in 1877. This building was again destroyed by fire in 1902. The congregation held their meetings in the Hebrew Synagogue at Broadway and Straight Street until 1905, when the present site was purchased, the church erected and completed. The following year a Sunday School building was added. In 1928, reincorporation took place.

The Second Presbyterian Church was responsible for the formation of the Madison Avenue Church (entry 388); Haledon Church (entry 412); assisted the Lake View Church (entry 383), and St. Augustine Church (entry 394).

In 1928, the congregation of the Second Church and the Church of the Redeemer (entry 387) merged, taking the name of the Church of the Messiah (entry 420).

Rev. Elias I. Richards, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1840 to 1902.

Shaw, Charles D., Historical Sketch in Manual, Second Presbyterian Church, 1840-1880. Paterson, Board of Sessions, 1910. 17 pp.

Session Records, 1902-28, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. William J. Acorn, Secretary, 58 Totowa Road, Totowa. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, Births, and Deaths, 1902-28, 2 vols., in custody of

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Mr. William H. Maines, Clerk, 269 Seventeenth Avenue. Prior records in vault of present Church of the Messiah, 360 Broadway (entry 420).

Record of incorporations and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. A, p. 116; vol. N 2, p. 88; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. O 15, p. 114; vol. F, pp. 30-33; vol. 1, p. 188; vol. L, p. 192; vol. R, p. 314.

365. WARD STREET CHURCH, 1848--. 70 Ward Street, Paterson, Passaic County.

An independent German Church of Paterson was organized in 1848, with 24 members. It became the First German Presbyterian Church of Paterson in 1851, affiliated with the Presbytery of Elizabethtown. Incorporation ensued in 1852. Meetings were held in the Infant's School; 30 Elm Street, and continued here until 1856, when the First Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 362), and the Society for Establishing Useful Manufactures presented the newly formed church with a deed for the Elm Street property. The same year a brick church was erected on this property and dedicated in 1857.

In 1882, a manse was erected at 89 Cross Street, which was sold in 1889. During 1915, the Ward Street site was donated by Mrs. Catherine Sprattler and her sister, Mrs. Margaret Mennell, and the present church and adjacent manse were erected. Services were held in German until 1905, when English services were inaugurated.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Carl David Rosenthal, educated in Germany, served this church from 1851 to 1859. The present pastor is Rev. Louis R. Binder, 76 Ward Street.

Binder, Louis R., Historical Synopsis of the Ward Street Presbyterian Church. Paterson, Ward Street Presbyterian Church, 1936. 31 pp.

Session Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Ludwig, Secretary, 146 Barclay Street. Trustee Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Gustave Martin, Secretary, 1 Verna Avenue, North Haledon. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1851--, 9 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Jessie Gemenhardt, Secretary, 35 Bloomfield Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1922--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Pauline Netz, Secretary, 128 Maplewood Avenue, Clifton. Financial Records, 1918--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Otto Poltserdorf, Clerk, 97 Carol Street.

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Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 318; vol. G 3, p. 522; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. D 24, p. 273; vol. D 26, p. 445; vol. K 11, p. 570; vol. E, p. 503; vol. C 7, p. 22.

366. FIRST CHURCH, 1850--. Palisade and Fourth Street, Union City, Hudson County.

An undenominational group of persons of West Hoboken, held services in the township school on Weaverton Road (now Boulevard) from 1844 to 1845. In 1848, Rev. William Bradford affiliated with this congregation and was instrumental in the group's decision to erect a house of worship. Mr. John Wyms, of De Mott Street, donated land, and Rev. Mr. Bradford, a member of the Third Presbytery of New York, assured the group that financial aid would be given if they affiliated with that Presbytery.

Early in 1850, when they organized as Presbyterians, a frame structure was erected to be used jointly by the church and the West Hoboken Lyceum and Library Association. This building was dedicated in 1851, and the congregation incorporated in 1852. In 1864, the church purchased the Library Association equity.

During 1868, the church established a Chapel Sunday School at 6 Paterson Street, Jersey City, but sold it in 1909, to the All Soul's English Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The present site, was purchased in 1906. The new church was completed and dedicated in 1908. A three story frame dwelling was purchased at 20 Clinton Avenue (now New York) and Hague Street (now Fourth), in 1920, to be used as the manse.

The church of Romanesque architecture, is a brick structure, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James C. Egbert, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1865 to 1897. The present pastor is Rev. Anthony H. Perpetuo, 326 Fourth Street.

Pitman, Emily, Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church of West Hoboken, New Jersey. West Hoboken, Gus Johns, 1925. 28 pp.

Session Records, 1917--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Frederick Kronmeyer, Clerk, 123 Lees Road, Teaneck. Trustee Records, 1900--, 5 vols., in custody of Miss Hortense Bosc, Secretary, 204 Central Avenue. Record of Births, Baptisms, Acceptances, Marriages, and Deaths, 1852--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Frederick Kronmeyer, Clerk. Sunday School

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Records, 1939--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Hugh Kronmeyer, Superintendent, 364 Webster Avenue, Jersey City. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1936--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Fred Germaine, Secretary, 51 Waverly Street, Jersey City. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Thomas Hansen, Secretary, 791 Van Wagenan Place, North Bergen. Ladies' Aid Records, 1900--., 8 vols., in custody of Miss Sadie Gravatt, Secretary, 702 - 17th Street. Financial Records, 1850--., 15 vols., in custody of Mr. Lester Flaskamps, Treasurer, 5308 Boulevard, North Bergen.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 1, p. 243; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 25, p. 330; vol. 115, p. 728; vol. 992, p. 134; vol. 993, p. 478; vol. 958, p. 180; vol. 1370, p. 279.

367. SECOND CHURCH, 1851--. Third Street near Jersey Avenue, Jersey City, Hudson County.

This church had its inception in the Mission School #7, located on South 6th Street (now 4th Street), Harsimus, (now part of Jersey City). Services were later transferred to Smith's Hall at Grove and South 6th (now 4th) Streets, Jersey City; and in 1851, under the jurisdiction of the Third Presbytery of New York, the Second Presbyterian Church was organized.

In 1852, services were transferred to a former Baptist Church located on Barrow Street, between Newark and Railroad Avenues. Services were held in this building until 1856, at which time the congregation incorporated and transferred services to the Wildwood Hall (later known as Washington Hall), located at Newark and Jersey Avenues, remaining here until 1857.

In the latter part of 1857, land was purchased for the present site, the erection of the present church was started, with the main part of building being completed and dedicated in 1858. The church was enlarged by addition of a large front facing Third Street, for Sunday School rooms and a lecture hall, which was completed and dedicated in 1869.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Charles Hoover, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1852 to 1859. The present pastor is Rev. John Murray, 319 Fairmount Avenue.

McLean, Alexander, History of Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey, 1895, Jersey City, Jersey Printing Company, p. 287.

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Van Winkle, Daniel, History of Municipalities in Hudson County, New Jersey, 1630-1924, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1924, p. 170.

Winfield, Charles Hardenburg, History of Hudson County, New Jersey, 1631-1874, New York, Kennerd D. Hay, 1874, p. 402.

Session Records, 1851-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold T. Anderson, Clerk, 21 Clark Avenue. Trustee Records, 1855-- , 6 vols., in custody of Miss Edna Watson, Secretary, 104 Glenwood Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1852-- , 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1866-- , 5 vols., in custody of Mr. William McBride, Secretary, 213 Fourth Street. Deacons' Records, 1862-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Templeton, Custodian, 162 Clendenny Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1867-- , 3 vols., in custody of Miss Margaret J. Gibson, Secretary, 104 Glenwood Avenue. Financial Records, 1857-- , (books, loose papers), in custody of Mr. Howard B. Coombs, Treasurer, 896 Bergen Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 1, pp. 399,400; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 103, p. 18; vol. 310, p. 213.

368. FIRST CHURCH, 1852-- . 6th and Hudson Streets, Hoboken, Hudson County.

Preliminary services were held in a building at First and Bloomfield Avenues from 1851 to 1852. During the latter part of 1852, this building was purchased and organization of this church took place. The congregation found this building unsatisfactory and purchased the building of the First Baptist Church on Washington and Third Streets.

They incorporated in the same year and reincorporated in 1856. In 1857, this property was sold. The congregation held their services in the Baptist Church building until they purchased the present site and erected and dedicated this First Church in 1865. In 1872, an extension containing a chapel and Sunday School room was added to the east end of the church building.

In 1873, the Bethesda Presbyterian Mission Sunday School was organized, conducting their classes in the upper floor of a fire house at 456 Second Street, which was donated to them. In 1893, the First Presbyterian Church purchased the fire house and in this building the Bethesda Mission Sunday School functioned until 1932, when the school was closed, and the pupils transferred to the present church. The pastor resides in rented quarters.

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The church is a red brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a square tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Isaac P. Stryker, served this church from 1851 to 1859. The present pastor is Rev. Henry T. Beatty, 1036 Bloomfield Street.

History of Hoboken, Compiled and published by Hoboken Board of Trade, 1907, pp. 45-47.

Historical Sketch on First Presbyterian Church. Hoboken, Evening News and Hoboken News, Anniversary Edition, 1892.

Shaw, William H., History of Essex and Hudson Counties. Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1884. 2 vols.

Winfield, Charles Hardenburg, History of the County of Hudson. New York, Hennard and Hay Stationery Manufacturing and Printing Company, 1874. 568 pp.

Session Records, 1860--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Eric Peterson, Clerk, 1307 Bloomfield Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1860--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George R. Morris, Secretary, 28 Lincoln Avenue. Record of Church Register (includes Members, Dismissals, Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths), 1860--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Eric Peterson, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1860--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Foreign and Home Missionary Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Nellie Stevens, Secretary, 1235 Garden Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1918--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Jennie R. Coleman, Secretary, 606 River Terrace.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 213; vol. 1, p. 397; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 23, p. 266; vol. 26, p. 481; vol. 315, p. 254; vol. 57, p. 680; vol. 109, p. 701; vol. 114, p. 259; vol. 114, p. 254; vol. 583, p. 430.

369. SCOTCH CHURCH, 1855-1900. Extinct. 160 Mercer Street, Jersey City, Hudson County.

First services of this extinct Scotch Presbyterian Church, when organized in 1855, were held in Mr. Andrew Kerr's furniture store, 56 Newark Avenue. During the latter part of 1855, the congregation purchased the Particular Baptist Church building on Barrow Street, and services were transferred there. The congregation was incorporated in 1862, at which time the church was sold to the First Presbyterian Church (entry 371). During the latter part of the same year, land and a frame structure were purchased. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1873. The manse adjacent to the church was erected in 1886.

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This church functioned until 1900, at which time the congregation disbanded and the property was deeded to the Evangelistical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity.

Rev. James Petrie, educated in Scotland, served this church from 1856 to 1858. The last pastor was Rev. Frederick W. Jackson, who served from 1896 to 1900.

Session Records, 1856-1900, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1891-98, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Memberships, 1856-- , 2 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1896-97, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. John Murray, 319 Fairmount Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 2, p. 429; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 97, p. 134; vol. 254, p. 450; vol. 439, p. 8; vol. 409, p. 274; vol. 748, pp. 608-611; vol. 843, pp. 85-89.

370. BROADWAY CHURCH, 1856-- . 39 Broadway, Paterson, Passaic County.

Preliminary meetings as the Broadway German Church, were held in a private residence on West Street (now known as West Broadway) in 1854. Organization as a Presbyterian church took place in 1856; and in 1859, they incorporated and purchased from the First Particular Baptist Church their former building, located on the present site. This church was completely remodelled in 1904.

The manse is located at 260 Sussex Street and was purchased in 1922. When this church was started, services were held in German. Some time later they scheduled two services on Sunday, one conducted in German and one in English. Today the services are all held in English with the exception of special services, when Rev. Mr. Frey the retired pastor, conducts services in German for the older communicants.

Rev. G. Gowhring served this church from 1856 to 1860. The present pastor is Rev. Jacob A. Frey, Box 201, Warren Point.

Frey, Jacob A., Fiftieth Anniversary, 1856-1905. Paterson Broadway Presbyterian Church, 1905. 14 pp. Printed in German.

Frey, Jacob A., ed., Eightieth Anniversary Folder, 1856-1936. Paterson, Broadway Presbyterian Church, 1936.

Session Records, 1904-- , 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1904-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Frommelt, Clerk, 92 Prospect Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1900-- , 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Records, 1875-- , 3 vols., in custody of

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Mrs. Rose Burckhardt, Secretary, 60 Prospect Street. Financial Records, 1857--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Katie Ricker, Custodian, 100 Redwood Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. M, p. 485; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. T 2, p. 206; vol. T 29, p. 409.

371. FIRST CHURCH, 1856--. 30 Emory Street, Jersey City, Hudson County.

Residents of South Bergen (now part of Jersey City) were desirous of having Presbyterian services in their town as early as 1855. Later the same year, the Third Presbytery of New York furnished supply pastors for services to be held in Miss Carpenter's Seminary, on Hudson Avenue (now Storms Avenue), South Bergen. Services were held until a meeting was held in Mr. Parker's residence, where the church was organized in 1856. They were duly recognized and constituted as the First Presbyterian Church of Bergen in 1856, and incorporated in 1857.

Miss Carpenter's Seminary was rented for their services until the latter part of 1858. On a site purchased at the time of incorporation, the erection of their church was started. The church was completed and dedicated in 1858. In 1860, additional land was purchased. The manse adjacent to the church is a two story frame structure erected in 1866. In 1890, they reincorporated under the present name.

This church maintains a hospital in Young Kong Huang Lung Province, China, and is called Forman Hospital after Dr. Samuel R. Forman, 360 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City.

This church has been the sponsor for the formation of the Claremont Presbyterian Church (entry 376); the Westminster Presbyterian Church (entry 381); the Lafayette Presbyterian Church (entry 405); the Italian Presbyterian Mission (entry 407); and the Slovak Hungarian Presbyterian Mission (entry 413).

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with belfry, spire, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Edward D. French, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1856 to 1885. The present pastor is Rev. Alfred J. Sadler, 30 Emory Street.

French, Edward W., Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the History of the First Presbyterian Church in Bergen or Jersey City.
Printed and published by the church, 1881. 127 pp.

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Sadler, Alfred J., Eightieth Anniversary Celebration of the First Presbyterian Church of Bergen. Jersey City, First Presbyterian Church, 1936. 4 pp.

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372. FIRST CHURCH, 1860--. 141 Palisade Avenue, Englewood, Bergen County.

The origin of this church is traced to the meetings, held by Rev. James Harrison Dwight, in Mr. Denel's schoolhouse in Englewood. In 1860, a meeting was held and the church organized, at which time they became affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, New York Presbytery, under the name of the Presbyterian Church of Englewood. Later this church joined the Jersey City Presbytery. A fund was subscribed by various church denominations for the erection and dedication of a stone chapel in the same year as organization. The chapel was incorporated in 1861, at which time the ground for erection of church was donated by Messrs. J. Wyman Jones and I. Smith Homan.

This building was enlarged twice and services were held here until 1870, after which the chapel was used as a Sunday School until 1877. It was then donated to the Englewood Cemetery Association and removed to the Brookside Cemetery. The Vermilye Memorial Chapel was erected in its place in 1878.

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The Dwight Chapel at the corner of William and Palisade Avenue was erected in 1863. This building was transferred to the West Side Presbyterian Church (entry 338), and the Bethany Chapel (entry 384) was erected upon its former site. Extensive repairs were made to the present church in 1917; and in 1924, the name was changed to the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood. The manse adjacent to the church, was erected in 1891.

The church of old English type architecture is a stone structure, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James H. Dwight, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1860 to 1867. The present pastor is Rev. Carl H. Elmore, 150 Palisade Avenue.

Elmore, Carl H., In Commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood, New Jersey. Englewood, First Presbyterian Church, 1936. 56 pp.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. N 5, p. 354; vol. 14, p. 501; Deeds, vol. N 5, p. 351; vol. H 11, p. 302; vol. C 11, p. 288; vol. Q 11, p. 198; vol. 368, p. 5.

373. FIRST CHURCH, 1863--. Park Avenue and Ridge Road, Rutherford, Bergen County.

Two buildings were used prior to the erection of the present church. The first building was located on Ames Avenue, where all denominations met. Land for this building was donated by Mr. Daniel Van Winkle of Meadow Road. The Presbyterians held their services here from date of organization in 1863 until 1869, when church was completed. The congregation incorporated in 1868. Land and building cost of their church was donated by Mr. David B. Ivison.

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Services held in this church until 1890, when the present building was completed. This property and the manse were also donated by Mr. Ivison. The first manse, located at 80 Ridge Road and erected in 1872, was razed and the present manse erected on the same site.

The church of Gothic architecture is a greystone structure, has cathedral windows, and a tower which houses electrically operated chimes surmounted by a spire.

Rev. George Smith served this church from 1865 to 1871. The present pastor is Rev. Fred M. Halloway, 80 Ridge Road.

Bulkley, Edwin A., The First Presbyterian Church of Rutherford, New Jersey. Rutherford, First Presbyterian Church, 1888. 30 pp.

Fetterly, Clarence A., Historical Sketch of First Presbyterian Church of Rutherford, New Jersey. Rutherford, First Presbyterian Church, 1938. 12 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. V 6, p. 582; Deeds, vol. Y 3, p. 154; vol. G. 7, p. 292; vol. O 7, p. 39; vol. M 8, p. 150; vol. M 12, p. 573; vol. N 12, p. 93; vol. 492, pp. 167, 514.

374. TENAFLY CHURCH, 1865--.. 51 Magnolia Avenue, Tenafly, Bergen County.

A group of men and women met in the Brown House (a hotel) on Clinton Avenue, in 1865, to organize a Presbyterian church. Later in the same year they erected a small chapel in the rear of the Brown House. When they incorporated in 1866, the chapel was destroyed by fire, after which services were conducted in the old Erie Railroad station. The present church was erected in 1867, on a site given by the estate of Mr. John Jay, who was the first Chief Justice of the United States Supreme

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Court. In 1890, Judge Ashbel Green donated property at 50 Magnolia Avenue for the erection of the manse, and built it at his own expense.

The church of Gothic architecture is a stone structure, with a bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Thomas G. Wall, a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1865 to 1873. The present pastor is Rev. George R. Lockwood, 50 Magnolia Avenue.

Session Records, 1865--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold Grahn, Secretary, 131 Columbus Drive. Trustee Records, 1865--, 4 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1865--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Benjamin Mayhew, Secretary, 11 Laurel Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1904--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. William MacIntosh, Custodian, 133 Westervelt Avenue, Tenafly. Sunday School Records, 1930--, 3 vols., in custody of Dr. Hugh Wolf, Leader, 30 Lawrence Parkway. Financial Records, 1869--, 15 vols., in custody of Mr. William MacIntosh, Custodian, 15 Park Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, Vol. F 6, p. 485; Deeds, vol. L 6, p. 357; vol. I-13, p. 418.

375. FIRST CHURCH, 1867--. Passaic Avenue and Grove Street, Passaic, Passaic County.

Formation of this church was planned at a cottage prayer meeting held in 1866, at the residence of Mr. John B. Pudney, on Pennington and Gregory Avenues. Attendance increased and meetings were transferred to Academy Hall, Academy and Prospect Streets. In 1867, trustees were elected and the church incorporated. Services were held in the Riverside Institute, State Street and Park Place, from 1869 to 1871. During the latter part of 1871, a site at Park and Exchange Place was purchased and a church erected.

The present site was purchased in 1885, and church erection completed in 1886. In 1929, the church was rebuilt. It was dedicated in 1932. In 1930, the Blanchard Chapel was donated by Mr. Gilbert W. Blanchard, 178 Pennington Avenue, and is located on the Grove Street side of church property. The manse at 87 Boulevard was purchased in 1938.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Philo French Leavens, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1868 to 1904. The present pastor is Rev. George H. Talbott, 87 Boulevard.

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Scott, William N., Jubilee Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Society of Passaic, New Jersey, East Orange, Abbey Print Shop, 1918. 59 pp.

Talbott, George H., First Presbyterian Church Year Book. Passaic, First Presbyterian Church, 1925. 59 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 24; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. H 11, p. 474; vol. M, p. 482.

376. CLAREMONT CHURCH, 1868---. 124 Claremont Avenue, Jersey City, Hudson County.

Early in 1868, the Claremont Presbyterian Church was organized by the Missionary Association of the Sabbath School of the First Presbyterian Church of Bergen (entry 371), located on Emory Street. This congregation held their first meetings in various residences in Claremont (now part of Jersey City), under the auspices of the Association. They held their first church services in the town schoolhouse, located on Columbia Street (now Ege Avenue) near Ocean Avenue. After organizing they incorporated and purchased a site on Claremont Avenue between Clerk Street and Ocean Avenue. In 1869, the cornerstone was laid, church dedicated and completed. In 1870, application was made to the Third Presbytery of New York, for recognition as a Presbyterian Church, said application was accepted in the same year.

The congregation became dissatisfied with their church, and in 1904, they purchased a new site at Rose and Claremont Avenues, but found they did not have sufficient funds to erect their new church. Services continued to be held in the old church. Funds were then accumulated, and in 1911, the cornerstone was laid. The church was completed and dedicated in 1912. The old church site and building were sold to the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in 1913. The manse is a two story brick structure erected in 1929, on land included in the original purchase.

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The church is a brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Samuel W. Duffield served this church from 1870 to 1871. The present pastor is Rev. James D. Boysell, 216 Claremont Avenue.

Morgan, John Francis, The Fiftieth Anniversary of Claremont Presbyterian Church. Jersey City, Claremont Presbyterian Church, 1918. 14 pp.

Session Records, 1870--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Malcolm T. McCracken, Clerk, 700 Palmer Avenue, Teaneck. Trustee Records, 1870--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Francis, President, 15 Windsor Place, Bloomfield. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1870--, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Andrew Galloway, Secretary, 290 Bergen Avenue. Women's Missionary Records, 1939--, 1 vol.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol.; Presbyterian Guild Records, 1939--, 1 vol.; Men's Club Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Jessie Grobholz, Secretary, 417 Rose Street. Financial Records, 1870--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frank T. Abbott, Treasurer, 417 Rose Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. D, p. 24; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. B, p. 548; vol. 874, pp. 338-341; vol. 1165, p. 323.

377. CARLSTADT CHURCH, 1869--. 457 Division Street, Carlstadt, Bergen County.

The early laws of old Carlstadt forbade the erection of a church within its limits. However, about the time of the founding of this church a period of religious fervor set in among the Germans in America and many churches were organized. The church was first erected without the town line. In later years the boundaries were widened and Carlstadt acquired this church. Before the formal organization of the church the congregation met in a little red schoolhouse in Woodridge.

In 1869, the German Evangelical Church was organized, incorporated, and was received into the Presbytery. At first all services were held in German; and until 1938, about one half the services were conducted in German. At present sermons in German are delivered four times a year. In 1877, the present site was purchased and their first and present church was erected and dedicated.

A manse was erected on the church property soon after completion of the church. Today it is occupied by the sexton. A Sunday School was added in 1904; and in 1931, a Community Hall adjacent to the church was erected. In 1937, the name was changed to the Presbyterian Church of Carlstadt.

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The church is a stuccoed structure of meeting house architecture, with a small tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. F. Kern served this church from 1869 to 1875. The present pastor is Rev. Emil Williams Geitner, 437 Central Avenue.

Geitner, Emil Williams, Seventieth Anniversary. Carlstadt, Carlstadt Free Press, 1869. 8 pp.

Session Records, 1869--, 2 vols., in custody of Dr. Fred L. Muller, Clerk, 413 Third Street. Trustee Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Emily Schedler, Secretary, 410 Garden Street. Record of Baptisms, Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1869--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Florence Hasselhuhn, Secretary, 515 Broad Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1902--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Fred Zott, Secretary, 539 Hackensack Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ruth Herzog, Secretary, 88 Madison Street. Financial Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Lillian Hermann, Treasurer, 295 Broad Street. All records prior to 1926, are recorded in German.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. R 7, p. 568; vol. 1, p. 77; Deeds, vol. C 8, p. 564; vol. 587, p. 401.

378. FIRST CHURCH, 1869--. Broadway, Norwood, Bergen County.

When the members of the First Presbyterian Church organized and incorporated in 1869, under a Commission from the Fourth Presbytery of New York, they held their first meetings in the parlor of a hotel in Norwood. A site was purchased, and the church was erected and dedicated in 1870. Because of discord among the members in 1910, the charter was taken from this church by the Presbytery.

They maintained the Sunday School which continued to meet there, in addition to a Board of Trustees, functioning in name only in order to legally hold title to the realty. The membership was absorbed by the West Side Presbyterian Church of Englewood (entry 398), and worshiped there until 1922. In this year, Rev. Thornton B. Penfield took charge of the restored First Church of Norwood. The manse is adjacent to the church.

The church of New England meeting house architecture is a white clapboard structure, and has a steeple with a bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. George Brayton, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1869 to 1873. The present pastor is Rev. Thornton B. Penfield, 156 Maple Street, Englewood.

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Penfield, Thornton B., Sixtieth Anniversary. Englewood Press, May 19, 1929.

Van Valen, James M., History of Bergen County. New Jersey Publishing Company, 1900. 691 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1 J 7, p. 32; Deeds, vol. M 7, p. 583; vol. I 9, p. 299; vol. 615, p. 607; vol. 564, p. 506; vol. 656, p. 533.

379. FIRST CHURCH, 1871--. 64 Passaic Street, Hackensack, Bergen County.

The First Presbyterian Church of Hackensack was originally organized as a Reformed Church in 1832. In 1871, the congregation affiliated with the Jersey City Presbytery at which time they became organized and incorporated as a Presbyterian Church. Their first meetings as a Reformed congregation were held in a gray clapboard church at 220 Main Street. In 1898, the church was enlarged. During 1930, a site for the present church was purchased and the church erected and dedicated. The manse, located at 280 Park Street, was erected in 1907.

The church of Georgian Colonial architecture is a red brick structure, with a tower, bell, steeple, and plain windows.

Rev. Albert Amerman served this church from 1843 to 1878. The present pastor is Rev. Charles B. Kuebler, 280 Park Street.

Kuebler, Charles B., Historical Sermon and Address Delivered at the Silver Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church of Hackensack. New York, Louis Belcher & Company, 1896. 12 pp.

Kuebler, Charles B., Ninetieth Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church, Hackensack, 1832-1922. Hackensack, First Presbyterian Church, 1922. 47 pp.

Kuebler, Charles B., Centennial of First Presbyterian Church Hackensack, 1832-1932. Hackensack, Merchant's Printing Company, 1932. 16 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1149, p. 184; Deeds, vol. 660, p. 267.

380. THIRD CHURCH, 1871-- . Grand and Prince Streets, Paterson, Passaic County.

A group of persons withdrew from the United Presbyterian Church of Paterson to form this church, which was organized and incorporated in 1871. Services were conducted in the assembly room of the First Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 362). The present site was deeded to this group by the Society for the Establishing of Useful Manufacturing in the same year, and a small frame church was erected which was partially destroyed by fire in 1873. While repairs were being made services were held in the Chapel of the First Presbyterian Church.

Additional property adjacent to the church was deeded by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Nolan in 1886; and in 1890, more property was donated by Mr. John McWilliams, and a new wing was added to the church. The church was completely destroyed by fire in 1908, at which time services were again resumed at the First Presbyterian Church, and later in the Apollo Hall at Van Houten Street. A new church was completed and dedicated in 1910. The manse adjacent to the church is a two and one half story structure, and was erected in 1918.

The church is a red brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. David Winters , a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1871 to 1874. The present pastor is Rev. Orey Mason Demcott, 64 Prince Street.

Galloway, Joshua B., 1871-1921, Fiftieth Anniversary Exercises, May 8-15, Third Presbyterian Church. Paterson, Press Guardian Print, 1921. 7 pp.

Session Records, 1910-- , 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1910-- , 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1910-- ,

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1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Hugh R. McGeachie, Secretary, 876 East 19th Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1908--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Adderley, Secretary, 107 Pearl Street. Men's Botherhood Records, 1908--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William H. Stanley, Secretary, 163 Oliver Street. Financial Records, 1912--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. James Gourley, Treasurer, 427 Totowa Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 53; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. F 4, p. 677; vol. L 8, p. 25; vol. I 15, p. 373; vol. O 15, p. 414; vol. V 25, p. 22.

381. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1871--. Magnolia and Summit Avenues, Jersey City, Hudson County.

The Westminster Presbyterian Church was organized as a Sabbath School in 1865, holding meetings in private homes until 1870. Later, a hall was rented in the Pierson Building on Newark Avenue. At a meeting held in 1871, it was decided to purchase a church site. The church was erected in the same year, and called the Prospect Presbyterian Church. The church was incorporated in 1875.

The congregation worshiped in this church until 1886, when a new site was purchased, a church erected, and the name changed to the Westminster Presbyterian Church and reincorporated. Dedication ceremonies ensued in 1887. The church was completely remodeled in 1933. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. John S. Glendenny served this church from 1871 to 1876. The present pastor is Rev. Harvey L. Wyatt, 304 Academy Street.

Rendall, Robert J., and Harvey L. Wyatt, Souvenir of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. Jersey City, Herald Company, 1920. 17 pp.

Session Records, 1871--, 7 vols., in custody of Mr. John Hutchinson, Clerk, 310 Van Nostrand Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1886--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold Bumyer, Secretary, 17 Van Reypen Avenue. Record of Members, Receptions, Dismissals, and Deaths, 1871--, 6 vols.; Record of Marriages, and Burials, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Arnold Flood, Secretary, 191 Lefferts Place, Brooklyn, New York. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1939--, 1 vol.,

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Record of incorporations, change of name, and deeds; Hudson County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. 5, p. 109; vol. 8, p. 132; vol. 33, p. 238; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 409, p. 59; vol. 413, p. 489; vol. 414, p. 143; vol. 460, pp. 525-529.

382. CHIRST CHURCH, 1872--. 143 Madison Street, Passaic, Passaic County.

The origin of Chirst Presbyterian Church is traced to meetings held in the Sunday School room of the English Presbyterian Church, now the First Presbyterian Church (entry 375), located on River Street in Passaic. In 1872, this German speaking group organized as the First Evangelical Church of Passaic. The following year, 1873, they united with the Presbytery of Jersey City. Services continued in the Sunday School room until 1885, when they moved to the old city hall building, Prospect Street and Howe Avenue. During the same year Washington Hall, Washington Place, was purchased and renovated for worship.

In 1886, the name was changed to the First German Presbyterian Church and incorporated. During 1898, the present site was purchased and church erected; dedicated in 1899. Change of name to Church of Jesus Christ of the Passaic Gospel and reincorporation took place in 1900. The name was changed to the Christ Presbyterian Church, and again reincorporated in 1937. The manse adjacent to the church was erected in 1924.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, and has a steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Mr. Kern served this church from 1872 to 1875. The present pastor is Rev. Walter C. Jent, 143 Madison Street.

Dedication Pamphlet. Compiled by Board of Trustees (in German), July 3, 1899. 20 pp.

Sixty-fifth Anniversary Chirst Presbyterian Church of Passaic, New Jersey. Passaic, News Job Print, 1937. 10 pp.

Wienand, Paul W., Directory and History. Passaic, Chirst Church, 1933. 22 pp.

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Record of incorporations, change of name, and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. H, p. 623; vol. B, p. 197; vol. D 3, p. 344; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. E 13, p. 584; vol. B 16, p. 408; vol. E 21, p. 302.

383. LAKEVIEW CHURCH, 1872--. 500 Getty Avenue, Paterson, Passaic County.

Under the direction of Dr. James Clark of the Third Presbyterian Church (entry 380), a Sunday School and Bible class was organized. The members met in an abandoned school owned by Mr. Currie of Clifton, who donated the building to the group. This organization grew, becoming a church and member of Presbytery in 1872. They incorporated in 1889. The school building was used until 1892, when Mr. Edwin Gould donated the site of the present church for the erection of the Lakeview Presbyterian Church, at which time they reincorporated. In the same year a small white chapel was erected. This chapel was destroyed by fire, when lightning struck the steeple in 1914.

The present church was erected in 1915. Additional land was donated in 1919, by the young people's organizations of the church. In 1928, a two story addition was made. The manse is a two story frame structure, which was erected adjacent to the church in 1919.

The church is a grey stuccoed structure of English Tudor architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. James Clark served this church from 1872 to 1892. The present pastor is Rev. Rudolph Meier, 489 Getty Avenue.

Session Records, 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Kenneth McRae, Clerk, 328 East First Street, Clifton. Trustee Records, 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Taylor, Secretary, 101 Trenton Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1892--, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1915--, 4 vols., in

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custody of Mr. Robert C. Gordon, Secretary, 130 Knickerbocker Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1915--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. James Fielding, Secretary, 265 Vernon Avenue. Men's Club Records, 1923--., 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Jacob Vandenburg, Secretary, 298 East First Street, Clifton. Financial Records, 1892--., 4 vols., in custody of Mr. George P. Heck, Treasurer, R. F. D., Preakness.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. D, p. 287; vol. B, p. 603; vol. A, p. 68; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Y 4, p. 183; vol. Y 4, p. 427; vol. E 5, p. 82; vol. C 10, p. 426; vol. L 10, pp. 11, 618-620; vol. M 10, p. 414; vol. N 24, p. 94; vol. A 25, p. 181; vol. S 27, p. 25; vol. C 28, p. 111; vol. D 28, pp. 75-77; vol. K 38, p. 52.

384. BETHANY CHURCH, 1876--. Palisade Avenue and William Street, Englewood, Bergen County.

When the Bethany Presbyterian Church was organized in 1876, the members held their first meetings in various residences. The Sunday School classes were held in the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood (entry 372). Later the congregation rented the Old Depot on West Street, in which to hold their services. From the Depot they moved to the rented Englewood Hall on West Palisade Avenue. During this time they were known as the Calvary Mission. In 1880, the present site was donated by the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood (entry 372), and a frame church was erected for the congregation. At this time, their name was changed to Bethany Chapel.

This chapel was used for services until 1896, at which time it was removed by authority of the First Presbyterian Church, to Palisade and Lafayette Avenues, to be occupied by the West Side Union Chapel (entry 398). The present structure of Bethany Church was erected on the original site in the same year. In 1911, the organization was enrolled in the Presbytery of Jersey City; and in 1915, was incorporated. In 1922, the present building was enlarged and renovated; dedication took place in 1923.

The church is a plain brick structure with cathedral windows.

Rev. William E. Griffin, a graduate of Lincoln University, served this church from 1907 to 1914. At present the pastor is Rev. Mr. Covington.

Our Jubilee Celebration. Ms. 1918. 16 pp. In custody of Mr. Clarence Gordon, 41 Bennett Road, Englewood.

Session Records, 1911--. 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Clarence Gordon, Clerk, 41 Bennett Road. Trustee Records, 1911--., 2 vols., in

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custody of Mr. Stanifield R. Mason, Secretary, 23 Florence Street. Record of Births, Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1911--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Cornelia Stewart, Secretary, 197 Warren Street. Financial Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Samuel Llewelyn, Treasurer, 1 West Hampton Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 9, p. 83; Deeds, vol. 1167, p. 437.

385. EASTSIDE CHURCH, 1880--. Park Avenue and East 29th Street, Paterson, Passaic County.

The Eastside Presbyterian Church organized and incorporated in 1880. Prior to erection of the church, the congregation held Sabbath School meetings in residences of members. The site and all buildings were paid for by subscription and memorial endowments. The present church auditorium was added in 1888. A third section was erected in 1922, when the manse at 411 Fifteenth Avenue was purchased.

The church is a sandstone structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Samuel Carlisle served this church from 1883 to 1891. The present pastor is Rev. Howard E. Adair, 411 Fifteenth Avenue.

Adair, Howard E., Historical Sketch of the 50th Anniversary. Paterson, Eastside Church, 1930. 27 pp.

Session Records, 1883--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Melville Van Ness, Clerk, 235 Derrom Avenue. Trustee Records, 1880--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Deaths, Pastors, Deacons, Members, and Suspensions, 1880--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1880--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Elizabeth Rogers, Secretary, 270 Seventeenth Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Carrie M. Morton, Custodian, 493 East 29th Street. Women's Junior Auxiliary Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Herbert G. Wenzel, Custodian, 514 Rocky Road, Glen Rock. Ladies' Aid Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Salvatore Vivian, Custodian, 509 Park Avenue. Financial Records, 1939--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Alex G. Highton, Treasurer, 354 Eighteenth Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 215; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. T 6, p. 83; vol. K 18, p. 372.

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386. WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1882--. Spring and Weiss Streets, Paterson, Passaic County.

This church began as a Sunday School which was organized by Mr. John Ramage, with the first classes meeting in the basement of a house at 568 Main Street in 1873. At this time the First Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 362) took charge, and began holding prayer meetings. Two lots were purchased on Spring Street, at the foot of Weiss Street, on which a small frame chapel was erected and first occupied for worship on Christmas morning of the same year, title of which was vested in the First Church.

The organization continued with supply pastors until 1881, when Rev. Laurens L. Schuler took charge, and was successful in having the First Church of Paterson deed them the chapel, and Mr. James Angus of Trenton, New Jersey, holder of a mortgage on the land, donate the amount of mortgage and an adjoining lot. The congregation incorporated in 1882.

The chapel building was divided into halves, one sold and the other moved to a lot on Plum Street, which was also a gift of Mr. Angus. Services were held in this improvised building until the new church was ready for dedication in 1890. The manse located at 227 Spring Street, is a two story frame building, and is being used as a church office and study.

The church is a red sandstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a massive tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. Laurens L. Schuler, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1881 to 1885. The present pastor is Rev. Wilbur M. Franklin, 196 Burlington Avenue.

Nelson, William, and Charles F. Shriner, History of Paterson and its Environs, New York and Chicago, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1920, II, 548.

Session Records (include Record of Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James Watt, Clerk, 76 Buffalo Avenue. Trustee Records, 1882--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Joseph Kutner, Secretary, 174 Atlantic Street. Deacon's Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Charles Buckley, Treasurer, 198 East 1st Street, Clifton. Sunday School Records, 1882--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Elizabeth Marks, Secretary, 227 Spring Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Asa M. Shauger, Secretary, 137 Atlantic Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Richard Bunyon, Secretary, 463 East 39th Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Asa M. Shauger, Secretary. Financial Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Richard E. Bunyon, Treasurer, 463 East 39th Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, pp. 328,329; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. C 9, p. 148; vol. U 2, p. 465; vol. A, p. 328.

387. CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, 1884-1928. Merged. 360 Broadway, Paterson, Passaic County.

Through the efforts, of a group of members of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 362), wishing to establish a place of worship nearer their residences, the Church of the Redeemer was organized and incorporated in 1884. They held their first service in a rented lecture room of the Auburn Street Congregational Church. A site for the church on Graham Avenue was donated in the same year by Mrs. Mary E. Ryle. The following year, construction of the church started, and the church was dedicated in 1886. In 1928, the church was completely destroyed by lightning. The Second Presbyterian Church (entry 364) offered the use of the church to the Church of the Redeemer until other arrangements could be made. The church was rebuilt and later in the same year the two congregations voted to merge, taking the name of the Church of the Messiah (entry 420). Services are conducted in the rebuilt church at 360 Broadway, while the former Second Presbyterian Church is used for social and recreational purposes. There is no manse.

Rev. David Magie, A graduate of Princeton University, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1886 to 1907.

Williams, H. A., Church of the Redeemer, Paterson, New Jersey, 1885. Paterson, Board of Trustees, 1865. 29 pp.

Session Records, 1884-1928, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1884-1928, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1884-1928, 3 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1906-28, 3 vols., in vault of the Church of the Messiah, 360 Broadway (entry 420).

Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. B, p. 99; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. O 15, p. 114; vol. T 7, p. 602; vol. V 15, p. 604.

388. MADISON AVENUE CHURCH, 1886--. 1021-23 Madison Avenue, Paterson, Passaic County.

Beginning with cottage prayer meetings and a small Bible School conducted by Mr. John Ramsey, at Market and East 27th Streets, members later assembled at the residence of Mr. Hugh E. Spiers, 1997 Madison Avenue, and completed the organization and incorporation of the Madison Avenue Chapel with the assistance of the Second

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Presbyterian Church (entry 364), in 1886. A site donated in the same year by Miss Anne A. Brace for the erection of a chapel, which was completed and dedicated in 1887. In 1892, and 1911, additions were made to the church, and rededication took place. During 1911, the manse adjacent to the church was erected. In 1925, the congregation reincorporated.

The church is a frame structure of Victorian era architecture, with a belfry, and cathedral windows.

Rev. John Scott King served this church from 1888 to 1889. The present pastor is Rev. Franklin J. Miller, 1025-27 Madison Avenue.

Miller, Franklin J., 1886-1936, Fiftieth Anniversary of The Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, Paterson, New Jersey. Paterson, Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1936. 8 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1903--, 5 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1903--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1903--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Young, President, 144 Martin Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Jennie Parkerson, Secretary, 37 East Second Street, Clifton. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1927--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Elizabeth Anderson, Secretary, 90 East Twentieth Street. Financial Records, 1920--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edwin Van Houten, Treasurer, 921 East Nineteenth Street.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. G, 2, p. 35; vol. B, p. 236; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 1, p. 618; vol. N, p. 304.

389. FIRST CHURCH, 1887--. Palisade Avenue and Commerce Street, Garfield, Bergen County.

Originally a Union Sunday School with services conducted in Public School #1, on Commerce Street, the First Presbyterian Church of Garfield organized in 1887. In 1888, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert D. Bogart gave the site on which the church and manse are located. The church incorporated in the same year. During construction, services continued to be held in the schoolhouse until the completion and dedication of the church in 1890. During 1904, the church was enlarged by extensions to the side and rear.

In 1925, the city of Garfield permitted the use of Public School #5, on Outwater Lane, for the purpose of organizing the Plauderville Mission Sunday School for the children residing in Plauderville. This Mission Sunday School is sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church. In 1939, the First Church received the membership of the Italian Presbyterian Church (entry 417) into its organization, the latter ceasing to have a

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separate identity. The manse, located at 132 Palisade Avenue, was erected in 1925.

The church is a frame structure of Romanesque architecture, with two steeples, belfry, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James Hall, a graduate of Columbia University, served this church from 1888 to 1899. The present pastor is Rev. Gerald J. Huenink, 132 Palisade Avenue.

Young, Anna G., Historical Sketch, 50th Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church of Garfield, 1888-1938. Garfield, First Presbyterian Church, 1938. 12 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1888--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Nathan E. Lincoln, Clerk, 71 Marsellus Place. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1888--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1888--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Rudolph Vandermark, Secretary, 45 Main Street, Wallington. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William A. Dougherty, Secretary, 59 Manner Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Vesta Smith, Custodian, 19 Chestnut Street, Roselle Park. Ladies' Aid Records, 1893--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Henry Matthews, Secretary, 141 Albion Place, Passaic. Financial Records, 1888--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward Hughes, Treasurer, 58 Midland Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 78; Deeds, vol. T 12, p. 586; vol. V 13, p. 529; vol. 582, p. 577.

390. FIRST CHURCH, 1889--. Union Avenue and Hackensack Street, Wood Ridge, Bergen County.

The organization of this church was in 1889, at a meeting held at the residence of Mr. Emil H. Pirovano. The first religious services were conducted in an old schoolhouse (address unknown). This schoolhouse served until the completion of the present church in 1890, at which time the congregation incorporated. The site was donated by Mr. Frederick Kohlertz.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a small tower, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. James G. Smith, educated in Scotland, served this church from 1894 to 1895. The present pastor is Rev. William H. McConoghy, 109 Hackensack Street.

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Session Records, 1936--, 1 vol.; Trustee Records, 1891--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1897--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1891--, 6 vols., in custody of Miss Emile Young, Secretary, 110 Wood Ridge Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1915--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Samuel Paterson, Secretary, 385 Columbia Boulevard. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1936--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Constance Joannes, Secretary, 291 Marlboro Road. Financial Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert Betz, Treasurer, 171 Jefferson Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 1, p. 176; Deeds, vol. E 13, p. 391; vol. 918, pp. 225, 515; vol. 1589, p. 413.

391. JOHN KNOX CHURCH, 1889-1902. Extinct. 154 Manning Avenue. Jersey City, Hudson County.

During 1887, Mr. George R. McKenzie, a member of the Scotch Presbyterian Church (entry 369), purchased the land at 154 Manning Avenue. In 1889, Rev. David Mitchell, pastor of the Scotch Church, organized a Sabbath School Mission at 363 Woodward Street, in a building donated by the owner, Mrs. Maria Dingwall of 11 Prescott Place.

The John Knox Church was erected and dedicated on the present site in 1890. When the church was erected, living quarters for the pastor were arranged on the north side of the church. The congregation incorporated in 1891, Mr. McKenzie giving the church property to the newly formed church. In 1902, the congregation disbanded and deeded the church property to the Presbytery of Jersey City which in turn deeded it to the Lafayette Church (entry 405). In 1914, it was again sold to the Lithuanian Roman Catholic Church.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with two small spires, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Thomas Houston, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1891 to 1895.

Session Records, 1890-1902, 1 vol.; Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1890-1902, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1890-1902, 1 vol., in the Library of the Princeton Theological Seminary.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 13, p. 376; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 484, p. 402; vol. 537, p. 378; vol. 801, p. 498; vol. 1026, p. 66; vol. 1032, p. 269; vol. 1044, p. 16; vol. 1174, p. 165.

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392. FIRST CHURCH, 1891--. Fenner Avenue and Valley Road, Clifton, Passaic County.

The First Presbyterian Church of Clifton can trace its origin to a small Sunday School which was organized in 1891, members holding their classes in an old public schoolhouse on Gould Street and Albion Place. At this time the congregation was known as the Union Presbyterian Sunday School. They retained this name until 1893, when the name, Albion Place Presbyterian Sunday School, was unanimously chosen.

In 1896, a church was organized and incorporated, and placed under the supervision of the First Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 362). The present site was purchased and a chapel erected in 1897. During the year of 1898, the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 386) took charge of the newly formed congregation. Rebuilding of the original chapel was started in 1924, completed and dedicated in 1925. The present name was adopted and incorporated in 1937. The present manse, a one story frame building located at 100 Valley Road, was purchased in 1926.

The present pastor, Rev. Frederick S. Rowland, a graduate of Lafayette College; Biblical Seminary; New York University, and Bloomfield Seminary, has served this church since 1922.

Session Records, 1896--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Fred Vollinger, Clerk, 88 Fenner Avenue. Trustee Records, 1896--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold Latham, Secretary, 112 Piaget Avenue. Record of Membership, Baptisms, Deaths, and Marriages, 1926--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1891--., 3 vols., in custody of Miss Dorothy Van Winkle, Secretary, 74 Mountainside Terrace. Ladies' Aid Records, 1904--., 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Arthur Pollings, Secretary, 84 Belgrade Avenue. Brotherhood Records, 1914--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John Alt, Secretary, 107 Vale Avenue. Financial Records, 1904--., 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Edward W. Alt, Treasurer, 44 Nelson Street.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. E 3, p. 465; vol. T, p. 276; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Q 12, p. 444; vol. X 13, p. 320; vol. V 32, p. 285.

393. FIRST CHURCH, 1895--. Church Street, East Paterson, Bergen County.

In the early part of 1892, prayer meetings were held in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dykstra, then residing at Dundee

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Lake (now known as East Paterson). From these prayer meetings, a Sunday School was organized in the same year, meetings were held in a residence owned by Mr. G. Lensch. In 1893, the Sunday School was moved to the River-road Schoolhouse; this caused a split in the Sunday School, half of the pupils went to Warren Point (now Warren Point Presbyterian Church, entry 419), and the other half stayed at the River-road School. During this time a Board of Trustees had organized for the purpose of erecting their own building. Ground was donated by Mr. George C. Van Riper in 1896, at which time the erection of the church began. The exterior of the church was completed the same year. Due to lack of funds the interior was not completed until 1901, at which time the Sunday School was moved to the present Sunday School rooms. This church was first known as the Dundee Lake Presbyterian Church. The present name was adopted when the church was enlarged, dedicated and reincorporated in 1925.

The church is a frame structure of early American architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. John C. Lane served this church from 1925 to 1927. At present the church is without a settled pastor.

Mudge, Charles O., John D. Post, and Rollo A. Kilburn,
Three Short Historical Sketches on Religious Work in
Dundee Lake. East Paterson, First Presbyterian Church,
1927. 19 pp.

Session Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Raymond F. Reihl, Clerk, 199 Market Street. Trustee Records, 1901--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Spencer, Clerk, Locust Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Raymond F. Reihl, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1895--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Ryan Stellingwerf, Secretary, 15 Van Riper Avenue. Missionary Society Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Elizabeth Hascup, Secretary, Van Riper Avenue. Financial Records, 1901--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Andrew Stellingwerf, Treasurer, 21 Van Riper Avenue.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deed: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 17, p. 55; vol. 26, p. 40; Deeds, vol. 449, p. 126.

394. ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH, 1895--. 155 Governor Street, Paterson, Passaic County.

A group of Negro Presbyterians who were attending the First Church of Paterson (entry 362), organized and incorporated this church in 1895. The congregation rented a room in the Town Hall on Main Street and held their services here until 1896, at which time they rented the

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Ekins Hall at 202 Market Street. They remained here until 1898, when they rented the Women's Christian Temperance Union Building at 124 Van Houten Street.

In 1899, they purchased the present site and their church was erected. Additional property adjacent to the church was donated by a Mr. Van Dyk in 1909; and in 1912, a building was erected on the remaining lot to be used for social purposes. This is now known as the Colored Men's Association Building. The manse is a six room frame structure, adjacent to the church.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Rev. Poyatan Bagnold served this church from 1895 to 1907. The present pastor is Rev. Charles L. Tarter, 157 Governor Street.

Session Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William C. Monroe, Clerk, 308 Sixth Avenue. Trustee Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Free, Custodian, 24 Lawrence Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 14 vols., in custody of Mrs. Leonora Anderson, Superintendent, 166 Sixteenth Avenue. Financial Records, 1923--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Free, Custodian.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. E, p. 568; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. C 14, p. 366; vol. X 18, pp. 194, 195; vol. Z 27, pp. 222-224.

395. EMANUEL CHURCH, 1896-1907. Extinct. Belford and Union Avenues, Rutherford, Bergen County.

The First Presbyterian Church of Rutherford (entry 373) in 1893, started a Sunday School in a rented store on Union and Springfield Avenues. The next location used was a club house on Santiago Avenue, rented from Mrs. Josephine Sledney. In 1896, an organization was founded and incorporated in Rutherford as the Emanuel Chapel Society. Property was purchased at Union and Belford Avenues, and a chapel erected there. In 1901, it became an independent body called the Emanuel Presbyterian Church. It remained as such until 1907, when it became the Rutherford Congregational Church.

The church is a plain frame structure with plain windows.

Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley served this church from 1897 to 1898.

Record of incorporation and deed: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 91; Deeds, vol. 438, p. 607.

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396. WALLINGTON CHURCH, 1896--. Paterson Avenue and Union Boulevard, Wallington, Bergen County.

Wallington Presbyterian Church was established by the First Presbyterian Church of Passaic (entry 375), in 1896. They held their first services in School #1, Union Boulevard, until completion of their church, which was erected on a site donated by Mr. L. M. Alden. The congregation incorporated in the same year. This building served until a site was purchased and the present church erected in 1928. The original building was then sold to the Church of the Transfiguration.

The church is a stuccoed structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. George H. Wallace, a graduate of Collegiate School; Hamilton School, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1909 to 1925. The present pastor is Rev. Frederick S. Rowland, 100 Clifton Avenue, Clifton.

Session Records, 1896--, included in records of the First Church of Passaic. Trustee Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Kievitt, Clerk, 9 High Street, East Rutherford. Record of Baptisms, Members, Marriages, and Deaths, 1897--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Cornelia Van Howling, Clerk, 98 Anderson Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1896--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Henry Opthop, Secretary, 95 Midland Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Velma Swift, Secretary, 71 Union Boulevard. Ladies' Aid Records, 1896--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Tiny Liddell, Secretary, 354 Crooks Avenue, Clifton. Financial Records, 1897--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Kievitt, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 46; Deeds, vol. 43, p. 347, vol. 1502, p. 156.

397. ARMENIAN CHURCH, 1898--. Hudson Avenue and 6th Street, West New York, Hudson County.

First services of this Armenian Church were held in a rented house located at 4 Palisade Avenue, Town of Union (now Union City), from organization date 1898 until 1901, when they incorporated and became known as the Armenian Mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Hoboken (entry 368). During the latter part of 1901, they rented another house at 606 Malone Street (now 17th), West Hoboken, and held their services here until 1904, when they purchased land and a house located at Clinton Avenue and Jane Street (now 26th Street).

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In 1918, the name was changed to Armenian Presbyterian Church. Services were held here until 1925, when the property was sold, and services were again conducted in the rented house at 606 Malone Street. In 1926, they purchased the present church from the Evangelical Lutheran Lebanon congregation of Union Hill, present site. The church was entirely rebuilt in 1927, and dedicated in 1928. Services were held in the basement while the church was being reconstructed.

The church is a brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Bedros A. Torosian, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1890 to 1901. The present pastor is Rev. Arasham K. Yeramian, 221 30th Street, North Bergen.

Goergizian, Aasen, Church History. New York City, Gotchnag Publishing Company, 1931. 10 pp. Printed in Armenian.

Session Records, 1898--, 2 vols.; 1898-1919, 1 vol., in Armenian; 1919--, 1 vol., in English, in custody of Mr. Gabriel Kriker, Clerk, 221 30th Street, North Bergen. Trustee Records, 1898--, 2 vols.; 1898-1919, 1 vol., in Armenian; 1919--, 1 vol., in English, in custody of Dr. Husig Morscsyian, Custodian, 104 33rd Street, North Bergen. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1919--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Keuhnelian, Secretary, 472 Park Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Joan Bechak, Secretary, 235 31st Street, North Bergen. Financial Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Garabed Keuhnelian, Treasurer, 60 19th Street.

Record of incorporation, change of name and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 52, p. 417; vol. 106, p. 313; Deeds, vol. 1628, p. 506; vol. 883, p. 461.

398. WEST SIDE CHURCH, 1898--. Knickerbocker Road and Demarest Avenue, Englewood, Bergen County.

This church was organized in 1894, as the Westside Sunday School. The congregation held their first meetings and services in the Kursteiner School House, on West Palisade Avenue. In 1896, the name West Side Union Chapel was adopted. During the same year the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood (entry 372) donated a chapel, located at William and West Palisade Avenue.

This chapel was occupied by the Bethany Presbyterian Church (entry 384), a Negro group, who desired to erect a smaller building, making it necessary for the congregation of the West Side Union Chapel to obtain a site of their own.

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A site at West Palisade and Lafayette Avenues was purchased, and the chapel moved to this site. The congregation of this chapel enrolled in the Presbytery of Jersey City in 1898, at which time the present name was adopted.

In 1900, a lot with a house adjoining the church property was purchased. The residence served as a manse. Incorporation ensued in 1919.

Need for larger quarters resulted in the purchase of the present site early in 1925. The present church and parish house were completed and dedicated in 1926, the congregation remaining in the chapel until its completion.

Rev. Charles I. Junkin served this church from 1898 to 1905. The present pastor is Rev. Frank H. Huffman, 190 Demarest Avenue.

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Booth, Henry M., The Presbyterian Church of Englewood 1860-1865. Englewood, Times Printing Establishment, 1885. 46 pp.

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Zuber, Henry W., Installation Rev. Frank Harl Huffman, M. A., and Dedication West Side Presbyterian Church. Englewood, West Side Presbyterian Church, 1926. 16 pp.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, pp. 283, 431; Deeds, vol. 446, p. 141; vol. 515, p. 123; vol. 644, p. 543; vol. 1316, p. 125; vol. 1328, p. 21.

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399. CHIRST CHURCH, 1899--. 42nd Street and Avenue C, Bayonne, Hudson County.

A small group of persons attending the First Reformed Church at 33rd Street and Avenue C, with the assistance of Rev. Floyd Lincoln Cornish, organized this Christ Church in 1899, and incorporated in 1900. At this time the congregation purchased the present site of the erection of a church. From the time of organization until 1902, when church was erected and dedicated, services were held in a rented store at 911 Avenue C.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Floyd Lincoln Cornish served this church from 1899 to 1900. The present pastor is Rev. John A. Hutchinson, 635 Avenue E.

Cornish, Mrs. Floyd L., Narrative of the Founding of Christ Presbyterian Church, in Bayonne City, New Jersey. Bayonne, Christ Presbyterian Church, 1929. 8 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 39 G, pp. 367,700; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 750, p. 541.

400. FIRST CHURCH, 1899--. East Ridgewood and Van Dien Avenues, Ridgewood, Bergen County.

Members of this church originally worshiped in the Paramus Reformed Church. They withdrew in 1823, holding their meetings in Waldwick, under the name of the True Dutch Reformed Church. This building was removed in 1858, to Ridgewood and Pleasant Avenues, at which time they used the name, Christian Reformed Church.

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In 1899, the congregation applied to the Jersey City Presbytery to affiliate with that denomination. During that year this church was received under the Jersey City Presbytery and was duly constituted as the First Presbyterian Church.

The original First Church at Ridgewood and Pleasant Avenue was destroyed by fire in 1919. The first part of the present church was completed the latter part of the same year and is now being used as the Sunday School and Parish House. The congregation incorporated in 1922. The present church was started in 1926, and completed in 1927, when dedication services were held. The manse located at 33 Brookside Avenue was purchased in 1926.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a bell, one cathedral window, and plain windows.

Rev. Solomon Froelich served this church from 1823 to 1827. The present pastor is Rev. William T. Stuchell, 33 Brookside Avenue.

Session Records, 1823--, 5 vols.; 1823-99, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Triebig, Clerk, 350 Van Emburgh Avenue; 1900--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Oliver H. Saunders, Secretary, 622 Frederick Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1823--, 5 vols.; 1823-98, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert H. Triebig, Clerk; 1896--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Smith, Treasurer, 447 Fairway Road. Record of Baptisms, Members, Marriages, and Deaths, 1823--, 3 vols.; 1823-98, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor; 1898--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1823--, 4 vols.; 1823-98, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert H. Triebig, Clerk; 1898--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. G. Raum Henry, Secretary, 107 Oak Street. Women's Guild Records, 1898--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Leon Edwards, Secretary, 9 North Van Dien Avenue. Men's Club Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William M. Murray, Secretary, 185 North Pleasant Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A 4, p. 170; Deeds, vol. 963, p. 337; vol. 1075, p. 240; vol. 1127, p. 330; vol. 1160, p. 468.

401. LEONIA CHURCH, 1899--. Central and Leonia Avenues, Leonia, Bergen County.

During the pastorate of Rev. James Wyckoff, pastor of the True Reformed Church on Grand Avenue, doctrinal differences arose. The pastor, along with many members of the Reformed Church reorganized and became charter members of the Presbyterian Church in 1899, at which time they incorporated. For two years these members held their meetings in Lyceum Hall on Central Avenue, intending to erect a church of their own later.

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The present site was given by Mrs. Harriet G. Walker in 1900, the church erected in 1901, and dedicated in 1902. The church was enlarged and rededicated in 1907. An addition to the church was made in 1928, and the Church House built in the same year. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Church House.

The church is a frame structure of Romanesque architecture, with a belfry and bell surmounted by a steeple, and has cathedral windows.

Rev. James Wyckoff, a graduate of Rutgers College, and the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, served this church from 1898 to 1905. The present pastor is Rev. John W. Voorhis, 285 Crescent Avenue.

Jillson, Frank D., 40th Anniversary. In New Jersey Synodical Archives, Princeton Theological Seminary Library, Princeton, New Jersey, 1939. 4 pp.

Van Valen, James M., History of Bergen County, New York, Bowers Printing Company, 1900, p. 562.

Session Records, 1899--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank D. Jillson, Clerk, 236 Christie Heights. Trustee Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frederick J. Salathe, Secretary, 145 Highwood Avenue. Church Records and Index, 1899--, 2 vols.; 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Frank D. Jillson, Custodian. Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harold Gismond, Secretary, 112 Gladwyn Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Audrey Edwards, Secretary, 95 Leonia Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1931--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Frederick Salathe, Secretary. Financial Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George D. Butler, Treasurer, 153 Highwood Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Corporations, vol. 1, p. 361; Deeds, vol. 493, p. 665; vol. 1002, p. 115.

402. TOTOWA CHURCH, 1899--. 50 Sherman Avenue, Paterson, Passaic County.

Under the direction of the First Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 362), this church was first organized as a Sunday School in 1899. First services were held in the Old School #5 then situated on the present site. The school was razed and the site donated by Mrs. Jennie T. Hobart, 191 Carroll Street. The gymnasium was left standing and services were held here until completion of the new chapel in 1903, cornerstone laid 1907, dedicated 1908. The cost of the chapel erection was met by a contribution from Mrs. Hobart and with subscriptions.

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Incorporation unsued in 1911. The church was admitted to the Presbytery of Jersey City in 1915. Land adjacent to the church was again donated by Mrs. Hobart and the present building was completed in 1917. The manse located at 111 Grosby Avenue, was erected and dedicated in 1932.

The church is a red brick structure of Colonial architecture, with plain windows.

Rev. Joseph Gibbs, served this church from 1900 to 1904. The present pastor is Rev. Andrew D. Dennis, 111 Crosby Avenue.

Nicholas, Philip, The Totowa Presbyterian Church, Organized March 1st, 1915, Paterson, New Jersey. In Twentieth Anniversary Booklet, 1915-1935. Paterson, Totowa Presbyterian Church, 1935. 4 pp.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1915--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1911--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James Anderson, Superintendent, 244 Burlington Avenue. Ladies' Auxiliary Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs Charles Woodward, Secretary, 186 Burlington Avenue. Financial Records, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Ahrens, Treasurer, 126 Preakness Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. S, p. 295; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, O 36, p. 215.

403. ARMENIAN MISSION, 1900--. Wise and Spring Streets, Paterson, Passaic County.

A group of Armenian Presbyterians held their first services in various residences in 1900. During 1902, they decided to have a mission that would be conducted in their native language. The Westminster Presbyterian Church (entry 386) offered the use of their lecture room. Since it is a mission of the Presbyterian Board there is no charge made for the use of the room. This organization never incorporated nor had a meeting place of its own. Services are held in the Westminster Church; all services and records are in Armenian. Records are kept several years, then destroyed. The children of this mission attend the Sunday School of the Westminster Church.

Rev. Mr. Monjian, a graduate of a Theological Seminary in Syria, served this mission from 1900 to 1905. The present pastor is Rev. Arsham K. Yeramian, 11 Sixth Street, Weehawken.

Session Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Violet Telalian, President, 10 Thomas Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages,

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Members, and Deaths, 1938--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Records, 1938--., 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. S. Nanejian, Custodian, 292 Sussex Avenue. Financial Records, 1937--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. N. Boyajian, Treasurer, 954 Main Street.

404. FIRST CHURCH, 1900--. Shuart Lane, Ramsey, Bergen County.

The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Ramsey was organized originally as the True Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in 1820. Agitation to change the denominational affiliation was begun in 1900; and in 1908, the congregation was admitted into the Presbytery. They immediately adopted their present name and acquired title to the church which had been erected in 1868, and to the manse erected in 1893. In 1915, the congregation incorporated. In 1925, the need for more adequate church facilities led to moving the building back, facing Shuart Lane, and adding a social hall, Sunday School rooms, and Kitchen. The remodeled structure was dedicated in 1926.

The church is a frame building of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James D. Demarest, a graduate of New Brunswick Theological Seminary, served this community from 1820 to 1824. The present pastor is Rev. Harold E. Davis, North Central Avenue.

Clayton, W. Woodford, History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey. Philadelphia, Everts and Peck Company, 1882. 577 pp.

Van Valen, James M., History of Bergen County, New Jersey. New York, New Jersey Publishing and Engraving Company, 1900. 691 pp.

Session Records, 1824--., 3 vols.; Trustee Records (include Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 1824-1932, also Financial Records prior to 1908), 1824--., 3 vols.; Records of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1933--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. The above records include those of the True Reformed Protestant Dutch Church. Sunday School Records, 1908--., 3 vols., in custody of Miss Mildred Bennett, Secretary, Island Road. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1932--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Roy Severan, Secretary, East Crescent Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1932--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John Duryee, Secretary, 100 South Central Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1932--., 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Oscar Wayne Christian, Secretary, 75 Maple Street. Financial Records, 1825--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry Secor, Secretary, Island Road.

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407. ITALIAN MISSION, 1907--. 233 Mercer Street, Jersey City, Hudson County.

Organized as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 371), Jersey City, in 1907, the congregation held services in the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 367), which was rented until the dedication of the new chapel. The original site for this chapel was purchased in 1915. The chapel was erected and dedicated in 1922. All services are held in Italian. Title is held by the Presbytery of Jersey City. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

The chapel is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Hermes Cavarocchi, educated in Italy, served this mission from 1907 to 1920. The present pastor is Rev. Carl Nicastri, 279 Third Street.

Mission Register Records (written in Italian, include Baptisms, Admissions, Marriages, and Deaths), 1907--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Mission Financial Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Sylvester Montecucollo, Treasurer, 97 St. Paul's Avenue.

Record of deed: Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 1200, p. 476.

408. FIRST CHURCH, 1908--. Undercliff Avenue and Sterling Place, Edgewater, Bergen County.

This church was organized and incorporated in 1907, as an inter-denominational church, and was known as the Edgewater Union Church. The first meetings were held in the residence of Mr. John Watkins, and subsequent services in a barn owned by Mr. Watkins. Later in the same year services were held in the old Fire House #1 on River Road, and continued there until this organization affiliated with the Presbytery of Jersey City in 1908.

A site for the present building was donated by Mr. John Watkins; and in 1910, the church was completed. It was dedicated in 1912, at which time the present name was adopted. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church. The manse, a two story frame residence located at 28 Myrtle Avenue, was purchased in 1939.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a stone and copper steeple, a bell, and amber glass windows.

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Rev. Edgar K. Morrow, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1910 to 1912. The present pastor is Rev. Thomas Layton Frazer, 28 Myrtle Avenue.

Wier, William H., Historical Sketch of First Presbyterian Church of Edgewater. 1932. Ms. In Mr. Benjamin Andrew's possession, 1 Old Road, Edgewater.

Session Records, 1908--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Lester H. Houghtaling, Clerk, 16 Adelaide Place. Trustee Records, 1912-15, 1919--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Leonard Sancier, Secretary, 355 Undercliff Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Births, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1908--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1936--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Robert Burgess, Secretary, 8 Valley Place. Ladies' Aid and Missionary Records (Women's Auxiliary), 1926--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Richard English, Secretary, 26 Hilliard Avenue. Young Ladies' Guild Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. George Kirkland, Secretary, 91 Edgewater Place. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Jean Nicel, Secretary, 91 Edgewater Place. Financial Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Alexander Kennedy, Treasurer, 442 Undercliff Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol 5, p. 205; Deeds, vol. 890, p. 187; vol. 1292, p. 11.

409. FIRST CHURCH, 1909--. 52 West Palisade Avenue, Palisade Park, Bergen County.

A chapel was erected in 1897, on a site donated by Messrs. John and Henry Brinkerhoff. This chapel was originally known as the Palisade Union Chapel and was located at 219 Grand Avenue. At a congregational meeting in 1909, the organization voted to incorporate as the First Presbyterian Church of Palisade Park. All the church property held by the Union Chapel was transferred to the present church.

In 1913, funds were raised for the purchase and erection of the First Church, which was built in 1915, and dedicated in 1916. Additional property was purchased during 1929 for a Sunday School. The congregation reincorporated in 1930. The manse adjacent to the church was erected on a site purchased in 1921, and in 1922, was ready for occupancy.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. William Andrew Crozier, a graduate of Drew Theological Seminary, served this church from 1909 to 1911. The present pastor is Rev. J. Janvier Louderburgh, 48 West Palisade Boulevard.

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Swift, Orville B., Directory of the First Presbyterian Church, Palisade Park, First Presbyterian Church, 1916. 30 pp.

Wheeler, Mrs. Frank R., 25th Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church of Palisade Park. Palisade Park, First Presbyterian Church, 1933. 24 pp.

Session Records, 1909--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Theodore L. Dalnador, Clerk, 64 Edsall Boulevard. Trustee Records, 1909--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. David Russell, Secretary, 317 First Street. Record of Membership Roll, 1909--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Theodore J. Dalnador, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1926--, 3 vols.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1923--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Michael Melly, Secretary, 407 Highland Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Dorothy Stevens, Secretary, 254 Roff Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records (Missionary Society), 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jules Clerow, Secretary, 36 West Palisade Boulevard. Financial Records, 1926--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Henry Clark, Treasurer, 74 West Edsall Boulevard.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 6, p. 256; vol. 28, p. 8; Deeds, vol. 723, p. 280; vol. 820, p. 54; vol. 938, p. 102; vol. 1112, p. 169.

410. FIRST CHURCH, 1911--. Euclid Avenue and Poplar Street, Ridgefield Park, Bergen County.

A group of parsons withdrawing from the Union Community Church, organized as the First Presbyterian Church in 1911, and incorporated in 1912. Preliminary services were held in the residence of Mr. Henry M. Dutt, 291 Main Street. The present site was purchased in 1912. First church services were held in the Masonic Temple, where they continued until 1914, when the present church was dedicated and opened for services. The manse, located at 73 Poplar Street, was donated by Mr. Dutt in 1914.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower, and cathedral windows.

Rev. James Stofflet served this church from 1912 to 1925. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Megaw, 73 Poplar Street.

Session Records, 1912--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Richard C. McCaul, Clerk, 215 Euclid Avenue. Trustee Records, 1911--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. George Dumont, Secretary, 95 Hudson Avenue. Record of Births, Baptisms, Members, Marriages, and Deaths, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in

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custody of Mr. Wilbur Allison, Custodian, 76 Highland Place. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Anthony Boulanger, Secretary, 51 Euclid Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Marcelle Dater, Secretary, 295 Main Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Anthony Boulanger, Secretary. Financial Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Richard C. McCaul, Custodian.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 7, p. 515; Deeds, vol. 818, p. 575; vol. 1275, p. 651.

411. ITALIAN MISSION, 1911--. 55-57 Marshall Street.
Paterson, Passaic County.

Organized as a Bible Class in 1907, services were held in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church of Paterson (entry 362). This group continued to hold meetings in this church until 1924, when the present site was purchased, church erected and dedicated, but never incorporated. Funds for the ground and construction of the church were obtained from the Presbyterian Union, consisting of a group of four churches. The First Presbyterian; The Second Presbyterian (entry 364); Eastside Presbyterian (entry 385); and the Church of the Redeemer (entry 387), all of Paterson.

The church is a stuccoed structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Carlo Altorelli, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1911 to 1915. The present pastor is Rev. Oliberio F. Guacci, 34 Hoxey Street.

Session Records, 1920--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records, 1920--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1911--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1909--, 3 vols.; Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1921--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Dramatic Group Records, 1921--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. David DePietro, Secretary, 90 Park Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1921--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Oscar Falcione, Secretary, 256 East 23rd Street. Financial Records, 1920--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor.

Record of deed: Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. D 3 D, p. 503.

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412. FIRST CHURCH, 1912--. Squaw Brook Road, North Haledon, Passaic County.

Originally organized in 1912, as a Union Sunday School, the congregation incorporated as the North Haledon Presbyterian Church the same year. Services were held in an old schoolhouse opposite the present church. During 1913, subscriptions were received to purchase land and to erect the present church which was completed in 1915. The organization changed its name to the First Presbyterian Church of North Haledon in 1939.

The church is a plain frame structure, with steeple, and plain windows.

From 1912 to 1930, Seminary students conducted the services. Rev. Layton Frazier served this church from 1930 to 1933. The present pastor is Rev. Andrew D. Dennis, R. D. #3, Paterson.

Session Records, 1930--, 9 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Ballentine, Secretary, Ballentine Lane. Trustee Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Arthur A. Collard, Treasurer, Terrace Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Ruth Sheppard, Secretary, High Mountain Road. Sunday School Records, 1930--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Richard Van Der Stiene, Secretary, Terrace Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1934--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. William Yahn, Secretary, Saw Mill Road. Ladies' Aid Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Robert Spizer, Secretary, 32 Harris Street, Paterson. Financial Records, 1930--, 9 vols., in custody of Mr. Arthur Collard, Treasurer.

Record of incorporations and deed: Passaic County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. S, p. 577; vol. G 3, p. 274; Passaic County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. N 23, p. 253.

413. SLOVAK-HUNGARIAN MISSION, 1912--. 258 Pacific Avenue, Jersey City, Hudson County.

The Slovak-Hungarian Mission was organized as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church, Jersey City (entry 371), in 1912. The first services were held in the Lafayette Reformed Church which the congregation rented from the time of organization until 1914. This mission did not remain in any one location for any length of time due to war conditions, and continued to rent various churches for services.

After leaving the Lafayette Reformed Church, they rented quarters in the Lafayette Methodist Episcopal Church; the Knox Presbyterian

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Church (entry 391), Grand Street and Manning Avenue; then returned to the Lafayette Methodist; and again to the Lafayette Reformed Church, remaining until 1917. In the latter part of 1917, the present site was purchased, the chapel erected and dedicated in 1918; redecorated in 1937. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the chapel.

The chapel is a stuccoed and red brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Joseph Simko, the present pastor, a graduate of Budapest Normal School, Hungary, and Bloomfield College and Seminary, was installed in 1912. He resides at 251 Pacific Avenue.

Record of Baptisms, Marriages, and Deaths, 1913--, 1 file box, in custody of the pastor. Financial Records, 1913--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Estok, Treasurer, Monitor and Maple Streets. (All church records are written in Slavish and Hungarian).

Record of deed: Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 125, p. 185.

414. WESTSIDE CHURCH, 1912--, Monroe Street and East Ridgewood Avenue, Ridgewood, Bergen County.

At a meeting held in the residence of Mr. Clarence Stewart in 1911, neighbors interested in organizing a church met with Mr. Stewart and decided to become a Presbyterian group. Rev. Cleland B. MacAfee, pastor of the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn, New York, acquired financial aid from the Jersey City Presbytery. In 1912, the congregation organized and held its first services as the Westside Collegiate Church at the Ridgewood Preparatory School, 100 Heights Road, which was donated by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Parsons.

Services were conducted by Rev. Isaac J. Lansing who served this group and the Old First Presbyterian Church (Kenilworth Church) jointly. The same year, a site at Monroe Street and Franklin Avenue was purchased for the erection of a church which was completed and dedicated in 1913. Additions were made to the church in 1914 and 1917. In 1919, additional adjacent land was purchased for the erection of the present church. The congregation incorporated in 1921, at which time the connection with the First Church (entry 400) was severed and the name changed to the Westside Church.

The manse located at 119 Sheridan Terrace, was purchased in 1925.

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The church is a granite block structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Isaac J. Lansing, served this church from 1912 to 1920. The present pastor is Rev. Arthur M. Hughes, 190 Demarest Avenue.

Travell, Ira W., Silver Anniversary, 1912-1937. New York, Harold M. Davidson, 1937. 48 pp.

Session Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Robert Barrie, Clerk, 218 Walnut Street. Trustee Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Ronald Helps, Custodian, 315 Murray Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1912--, 2 vols., 1 card file, in custody of Miss Dorothy How, Custodian, 33 Walnut Street. Women's Guild Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Gordon Shellard, Secretary, 64 Glenwood Road. Financial Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. David Roman, Asst. Treasurer, 83 Chestnut Street.

Record of incorporation, change of name, and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 11, p. 511; vol. 7, p. 660; vol. 8, p. 1; Deeds, vol. 839, p. 623; vol. 856, pp. 387-389.

415. SOUTH CHURCH, 1913--. Church Street and Prospect Avenue, Bergenfield, Bergen County.

This church was originally organized in 1723, as the South Dutch Reformed Church of Schraalenberg (now Bergenfield), and continued as a Dutch Reformed Church until the church called the Rev. Charles R. Van Houten in 1905, a Presbyterian minister to occupy the pulpit of their church. It was through his efforts in 1913, that the Presbytery of Jersey City accepted the congregation as the South Presbyterian Church. The land and building of this old church were a grant from King George I. In 1920, the South Church became incorporated and in 1939, the church was completely repaired. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church hall. The manse, located at 145 West Main Street, was erected in 1924.

The church of brown sandstone reflects Gothic architecture, has a square military tower with bell, surmounted by a wooden steeple, and has frosted glass with cathedral border windows.

Rev. Charles R. Van Houten, educated in Holland, served this church from 1905 to 1913. The present pastor is Rev. Walter H. Westerfield, 145 Main Street.

Christie, Walter, 40th Anniversary of the Borough of Bergenfield, 1934. 6 pp.

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Westerfield, Walter H., Year Book of Bergen County Historical Society. 67 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds; Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 21, p. 657; Deeds (old series), vol. C, pp. 151-156; vol. E, p. 291; vol. F, pp. 10, 124-130; vol. N, pp. 286-288; Deeds, (new series), vol. 1594, p. 100; vol. 1641, p. 438.

416. HUNGARIAN MISSION, 1915--. 12 West 25th Street, Bayonne, Hudson County.

A small group of Hungarian Presbyterians living in the central part of Bayonne attended church services in the Magyar Presbyterian Church in Elizabeth (entry 351). Rev. Michael Toth, pastor of this Magyar Church, suggested that this small group organize a mission in Bayonne. His advice was followed and a mission was started in 1915. Mr Toth agreed to be their pastor in addition to his other charge in Elizabeth. The English Third Reformed Church of Bayonne was rented for services, which have continued without interruption to date. The congregation has dwindled to about twelve persons. Services are conducted in the Hungarian language. The mission is under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery of Jersey City.

Rev. Michael Toth, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary, served this church from 1915 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. Joseph Simko, 251 Pacific Avenue, Jersey City.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1915--., 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Admissions, Dismissals, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915--., 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Mission Financial Records, 1915--., 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Samuel Kovacsy, Treasurer, 639 Avenue E. (All records are written in Hargarian).

Record of deed: Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 1374, p. 219.

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417. ITALIAN CHURCH OF GARFIELD, 1915-1939. Merged. Clark Street and Grenelle Avenue, Garfield, Bergen County.

A congregation organized and incorporated as the Italian Presbyterian Church in 1915. This congregation worshiped on Street corners and in residences until they purchased the unfinished Lord Jesus Church in 1921. The church did not prosper and in 1939, the members merged with the First Presbyterian Church of Garfield (entry 389).

The church occupied from 1921 to 1939 was a plain structure.

Rev. Frank Garabini served this church from 1915 to 1920. The last pastor, Rev. Samuel Merle, resided in a rented dwelling located at 245 Union Avenue.

Session Records (in Italian), 1915-39.; Trustee Records, 1915-39, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915-30, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Carmello Conescenti, Clerk, 84 Harrison Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1920-39, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. Samuel Merlo, 245 Union Avenue. Financial Records, 1915-39, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Alfred Branco, Treasurer, 122 Pacific Street.

418. MAYWOOD CHURCH, 1915--. Maywood and Thoma Avenues, Maywood, Bergen County.

Preliminary meetings in 1895, were held in residences of various persons under the leadership of George L. Dillingham, where they adopted the name, Maywood Christian Association. In 1896, a Sunday School was founded and the Maywood Club House was obtained for services. Incorporation ensued in 1900. A site at 30 Magnolia Avenue was purchased in 1901, for the erection of their church, but a building program was not undertaken until the congregation became affiliated with the Jersey City Presbytery in 1915. At this time it was incorporated as the First Presbyterian Church of Maywood.

A church of Gothic architecture was erected and completed in 1917. This church served until the completion of the present church and manse in 1928. The original building was then sold to the congregation of Temple Beth Israel.

The church is a brick structure of English Tudor architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Stacy Cappers, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1917 to 1918. The present pastor is Rev. Harley B. Kline, 401 Maywood Avenue.

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419. WARREN POINT CHURCH, 1925--. 16th Avenue west of 54th Street, East Paterson, Bergen County.

Warren Point Presbyterian Church is an outgrowth of a small post established by the Passaic City Mission in 1895. This was known as a Sunday School and was conducted as such until 1900. The school held its first meetings in an old schoolhouse loaned by Senator Reynolds. This school has been their only place of worship since organization. The school was rebuilt and enlarged in 1915. The ground and building was later donated to them by the heirs of the estate of the late Colonel William Barbour. In 1925, it became self-supporting and was organized and incorporated as the Warren Point Presbyterian Church. The Sunday School room was added in 1930. The manse located at 116 Seventeenth Street, was erected in the same year on land purchased by the congregation.

The church is a frame structure of early American architecture, with a small steeple, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. Varton D. Milcon, a graduate of the Biblical Seminary, served this church from 1925 to 1927. The present pastor is Rev. Lowell C. Hine, Box 274, Warren Point.

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420. CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, 1928--. 360 Broadway, Paterson, Passaic County.

This organization is composed of two merged churches, namely the Church of the Redeemer (entry 337), and the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 364). The merger took affect in 1928. By unanimous vote the name of the merged congregation became through incorporation the Church of the Messiah; and the place of worship was the newly constructed building formerly known as the Church of the Redeemer,

The former Second Church building is used for social and recreational purposes by the member groups of the merged church. There is a Sunday School room and space for social functions.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture, with a spire, belfry, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Robert Bryan, a graduate of Princeton University and Theological Seminary, is the present pastor, having been installed in 1930.

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421. LODI CHURCH, 1933--. Main Street, Lodi, Bergen County.

A group of members withdrew from the Christian Reformed Church of Lodi in 1899, and formed the Independent Reformed Protestant Church. They held meetings and services in the Second Reformed Church (the present church building), which they purchased in 1900. Funds were raised by donation and subscription for the purchasing of the present church. Both churches used this building until 1900, when the Second Reformed Church erected a new house of worship.

The Independent Church continued as such until 1933, when the congregation was accepted by the Presbytery of Jersey City, and incorporated as the First Presbyterian Church of Lodi. In 1936, the auditorium in the basement of the church was enlarged so that several rooms could be made to accomodate the Sunday School.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a cupola, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Isaac Contant, the first pastor, was educated in Holland. The present pastor is Rev. Jacob B. Meyers, 85 Prospect Street.

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424. FIRST CHURCH, 1719-1755, 1833--. Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Whippany, Morris County.

The village of Whippany enjoys the distinction of having been the site for the first church to be established in what is now Morris County. In 1718, a Mr. John Richards deeded three and one half acres of land in Whippany "for public use for a meeting house, schoolhouse, burying ground, and training field, and such like uses and no other". A house of worship was erected on this site in 1719. The congregation was composed of persons residing in what are now Morristown, Hanover, Madison, Parsippany, and other adjacent communities.

Various groups of members gradually resigned from the First Church at Whippany to form their own churches. In 1730, Morristown (entry 426) withdrew, 1747 Madison (entry 428) withdrew. These withdrawals left Whippany a very small group. In 1755, Whippany went over to Hanover (entry 430) and worshiped there until 1833. Their meeting house was condemned and torn down in 1755. Part of the lumber was used to erect the Hanover Church, the Morristown Church, and the remainder used for the Parsippany Church. In 1833, the Whippany Church reorganized, and in 1834, the present house of worship was built on property purchased from Mr. Timothy Tuttle and wife. Land for a manse was purchased in 1883, and the manse was completed the same year. In 1934, the congregation celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the church building. The 200th Anniversary of Presbyterianism had already been programmed in 1919.

The church of Colonial architecture is a two story frame structure, with a belfry, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Nathaniel Hubbell, a graduate of Yale College in 1723, served this church from 1724 (circa) to 1730. At the present time this church is without a pastor.

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425. NEW PROVIDENCE CHURCH, 1737--. Springfield Avenue and South Street, New Providence, Union County.

This church was organized in 1737, and meetings were first held in an old log house. The first meeting house was completed in the fall of 1739, on a plot purchased from Mr. John Blanchard. The congregation was organized under the name of the Turkey Christian Church. When the first meeting house was partially complete, during the summer of 1739, a peculiar accident took place. At a religious service in the new building, the beams of the gallery gave way and those sitting in the gallery were tumbled to the floor, and upon those below. That no one was badly hurt was attributed to Divine Providence, hence the name New Providence, and later the abandonment of the name Turkey. In 1809, through an act of the Legislature both the Town and the Church assumed the official name of New Providence.

In 1773, it was decided to build an addition to the church, and a 16 foot extension was provided for on the north side of the building. Due to the Revolution, it was not completed until 1782. Meetings continued to be held here in the enlarged building, until at a congregational meeting held April 29, 1833, it was decided to build a new church. The present church was completed and dedicated October 2, 1834.

The first manse, a frame building at 1049 Springfield Avenue, was built on a tract of land purchased from Mr. Samuel Johnson. In

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1826, the manse was enlarged and rebuilt. In 1906, the interior was modernized.

The old chapel or Academy as it was known, was sold in 1912, and moved across the street. The present chapel was erected that year, and enlarged in 1928.

The church of Colonial architecture is a frame structure, with a tower, bell, and plain windows.

Rev. John Cleverly served this church from 1737 to 1739. The present pastor is Rev. Carroll H. Yerkes, 1049 Springfield Avenue.

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426. FIRST CHURCH, 1738--. 65 Park Place, Morristown, Morris County.

The house of worship erected in Whippanong in the year 1719, served the people of what are now Morristown, Madison, Chatham, Parsippany and other surrounding villages. During 1731 or 1732, the congregation discussed the erection of a new house of worship, with the result that a portion of the congregation, residing in West Hanover,

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which is now Morristown, decided to build a church of their own, and to withdraw from the sponsoring church at Whippany (entry 424). From 1732 to 1741, the congregation met for worship in the Basking Ridge Church (entry 313), and in 1738 officially organized as a church under the name of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, New Jersey.

The first house of worship was erected in 1741, on a piece of land deeded to the church by two members, Messrs. Jonathan Lindsley and Benjamin Hatheway. In 1777, during a smallpox epidemic, the church was used as a hospital for soldiers of the Continental Army.

In 1789, it was decided to erect a new church, which was completed in 1797. It was renovated twice to meet the requirements of the congregation. The present church, situated on the same plot of ground as the second church, was erected in 1893, and dedicated September 9, 1894.

In 1816, a Sunday School was established in connection with the church and services are now held in the church and manse.

The original manse erected in 1884, is situated at the right of the church on the original property grant, and is used by the sexton. The present manse at 65 Miller Road was purchased in 1939.

The church of Greek and Roman architecture is a greystone and steel structure. The tower rises from the northwest corner of the church and contains a bell and clock. The bell was presented to the first church by the King of Great Britain. There are six dormer windows in the roof, and cathedral windows throughout the church.

Rev. Timothy Jones, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1742 to 1794. The present pastor is Rev. Thomas S. Mutch, 65 Miller Road.

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427. FIRST CHURCH, 1738--. Hilltop Road, Mendham, Morris County.

A crude log hut served as the first place of worship in 1738. Seven years later the church moved to its present site on Hilltop Road, and a new building was erected in 1745. This site contained fifty acres of land that were given to the church by Messrs. Alexander and Budd. When the Revolutionary War broke out the church was used as a hospital, and in the meantime the congregation met in an adjacent hay field. In May 1816, the church was torn down, and soon afterward the frame of a new one was raised which was completed in the fall of 1817, and dedicated in 1819. This building served as the house of worship for eighteen years, and was destroyed by fire on February 17, 1835. Immediately after the fire, the church services were conducted in the Sessions House. Little is known of this building except that it was detached from the main church building.

By November 24, 1835, the new church had been completed. The church served for twenty years when it also was burned. A new church was considered in 1859, but it was not until April 4, 1860, that the present church was opened for services. Repairs and renovations were made in 1876, and in 1913. This church has inspired artists and writers, and from it, many missionaries have gone to foreign lands. In 1925, the Second Church of Mendham (entry 453) merged with this congregation.

The first manse was built in 1768, on part of the property given in the original grant. In 1832, a very picturesque brick building was erected which is the present manse, and the old one was torn down. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church gallery and in a small room adjoining the auditorium.

The church of Colonial type of architecture is a frame structure, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and plain windows.

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Rev. Elias Byram, a graduate of Harvard College, served this church from 1744 to 1754. The present pastor is Rev. Hugh Watson Kendall, Hilltop Road.

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428. FIRST CHURCH, 1747--. Green Avenue, Madison, Morris County.

The inconvenience attached to attending church in Whippany (entry 424) caused communicants to withdraw from this congregation and organize this church in 1747. For seventy years this church was known as the Presbyterian Church of South Hanover. For two years the group worshiped in private homes and barns, and when the weather permitted, they held services outdoors. In 1749, a house of worship was erected. It was built in a very crude manner and was not completed until 1765. In 1817, the name of the church was changed from the Presbyterian Church of South Hanover to the First Presbyterian Church of the Township of Chatham. In 1846, it was incorporated and the name was again changed to the First Presbyterian Church of Madison, which name it still bears.

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The first structure was torn down and a larger one built in 1802. Because of dissatisfaction with the location of the church, those living near the Chatham line withdrew and founded the Presbyterian Church of Chatham (entry 440). The third church building at Morris Turnpike, now known as Main Street, was built in 1825. A lot was donated on Main Street in 1849, by Mrs. Mahlon Pierson and a lecture room erected thereon. Mr. and Mrs. James Webb gave the Webb Memorial Chapel in 1894, in memory of their son. Church services are now being conducted in this chapel, the old church building having been sold in 1934 to the Masonic Fraternity.

The first manse on the corner of King's and Green Village Roads, was built in 1763, and sold in 1810. The second manse on Main Street was purchased in 1854. The present manse at 293 Woodland Road was built on a lot donated by Mrs. Webb in 1929.

The Sunday School was organized by Mr. William Thompson in 1817. It was not until January 1928, that they obtained a separate building in which to conduct classes. The cornerstone was laid June 10, 1928, and the building was completed in 1929, on property donated by Mrs. Margaret B. Webb.

The chapel of modified Romanesque architecture is a brownstone structure, with a belfry and cathedral windows.

Rev. Azariah Horton, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1751 to 1776. The present pastor is Rev. John William Parks, 293 Woodland Road.

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429. FIRST CHURCH, 1752--. Main Street, Chester, Morris County.

Residents in the vicinity of Chester, not wishing to travel to Mendham for religious worship, talked of having a church erected nearby. A zealous member had given 35 acres for a parsonage in 1752, then later 40 acres were added to it. This property was at Pleasant Hill about a mile and a half west of Chester. Mr. William Larison gave one acre of land, and the Pleasant Hill church was built in 1754. It was a very crude building for the wind whistled through it, and there was no provision to heat it. It was often referred to as "God's Barn". People came to this church from great distances, Chester, Flanders, Budd Lake, Schooley's Mt., and German Valley. During the Revolution church services were abandoned because the building was used as a hospital.

This church was reorganized and known as the Presbyterian Congregation of the Township of Roxbury in 1785. Sunday School was started at the Chester Academy in 1815. The church was incorporated and the name changed to the First Presbyterian Congregation of Chester in 1822. In 1825, the church underwent extensive alterations, giving it the appearance of a new structure.

During the year 1832, a great revival increased the membership to 157; but in 1835, 48 were dismissed to form the Mt. Olive Church (entry 446), and in 1852, 26 were released to establish the church at Flanders (entry 450). The town of Chester had greatly increased in population due to the erection of a brick hostelry in 1812. Many members of the congregation advocated moving the church there, and this took place in 1851, when the present building was erected. A plot for the manse was acquired in 1859, and the present manse was built in 1861.

Sunday School was held in the basement of the church for 18 years, but in 1869, Mr. James E. Hedges, of Elizabeth, built the Chapel. During the World War a growing idea of union worship became a fixed and working plan. The lack of income to members of the three congregations (Presbyterian, Methodist, and Congregational), and the burden of sustaining three separate pastors together with overhead operating costs of places of worship, motivated an effective amalgamation in 1918. Apparently the pooled resources of these three congregations has been a benefit in many ways.

This church is of Colonial architecture, and so situated as to enhance its beauty. At the facade, and above the peak of the roof, the

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bell is enclosed in a belfry tower setting on a wide square base. Along the sides of the building, there are placed at regular intervals four tall plain windows composed of small panes.

Rev. Nathaniel Harker, a graduate of Princeton College, served this church from 1752 to 1768. The present pastor is Rev. George T. Lemmon, Main Street.

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430. HANOVER CHURCH, 1755--. Hanover Road, Hanover, Morris County.

This church was formed in 1755, by a group who had worshiped at Whippany (entry 424). Dissension had developed at Whippany as to the location of a proposed church, the result being that the church divided, part remaining in Parsippany, and the balance forming the church at Hanover. The old church at Whippany was torn down and the timber divided between the two factions. The site of the first church erected in 1755, was on what is now known as Hanover Road. Between 1755 and 1757, the congregation purchased from Mr. Ellis Cook ten acres of land to be set apart for a manse. This church was used as a hospital, in 1777, by some of General Washington's troops.

About 1779, an application was made to the Council and General Assembly of the State for a charter to incorporate the First Presbyterian Congregation in Hanover. This apparently was obtained, as the next year the Trustees, before entering upon their office, were qualified by oath. In 1790, Mr. Calvin White began preaching here but he was not ordained and installed by the Presbytery of New York, until July 24, 1791. Mr. White was a Congregationalist, hence, this church observed this form of worship until 1814.

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In 1815, Rev. Aaron Condit, a former pastor, purchased the parsonage property on May 1, 1833, and forty or more members withdrew to form a church at Whippany, and in the same year they were organized by the presbytery as the First Presbyterian Church of Whippany Village (entry 424).

The first church was torn down and the present one erected and dedicated on the same site in 1835. The second manse was built in 1842, on property consisting of two plots, one purchased from Mr. Newton Woodruff and the other from Mary G. Young, located on Mt. Pleasant Avenue.

The present church building of Colonial architecture is a frame structure, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church proper.

Rev. Jacob Green, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1755 to 1790. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Lawson, Hanover Road.

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431. FIRST CHURCH, 1755--. Bloomfield Avenue, Parsippany, Morris County.

This church was organized in the same year that the First Church at Whippany (entry 424) divided, and subsequently abandoned. The first meeting house was erected in 1755, on a site deeded to the Whippany Church by Mr. George Bowlby in 1745. The congregation continued to worship here until 1773, when they erected a second house of worship on the original site. In March 1828, the church was legally incorporated as the Second Presbyterian Church of Hanover. The congregation was hoping to have a new church, and it was agreed that if \$7,000 could be pledged before May of the same year, the work would commence. The committee was successful, a site was purchased, and the building was started. This was the erection of the present church which was dedicated October 8, 1829.

In 1857-58, dissension arose over the choice of a pastor which resulted in the withdrawal of a portion of the members who formed the First Presbyterian Church of Parsippany. Repairs were made to the church in 1859, and the ground was improved. In 1870, the First Church of Parsippany reunited with the Second Church of Hanover. A chapel was built in 1891, which is used to conduct Sunday School classes. In 1911, the name was changed from the Second Presbyterian Congregation in Hanover to the Parsippany Presbyterian Church.

Land for the first manse was purchased and a house completed in 1774. The second manse located on Bloomfield Avenue was purchased in 1834. The present manse was built in 1874, on land donated by Col. John Condit Smith, adjoining the church.

There is no doubt that this grand old church embodies the strength and character of those who built it. It is a strong rectangular building, Colonial in all its appointments, except, perhaps, the use of Gothic arched cathedral windows. The square tower rises to a height of about 45 feet. There is an octagonal belfry with louver windows painted green. Above this is an ornamental spire.

Rev. Jacob Gree, a graduate of Yale College, served this church from 1755 to 1768. The present pastor is Rev. A. Philip Tuttle, Bloomfield Avenue.

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Record of incorporations and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 50; vol. B, p. 280; Deeds, vol. V 2, p. 555; vol. G 3, p. 78; vol. W 8, p. 437; vol. C 21, p. 509; vol. R 21, p. 544.

432. FIRST CHURCH, 1758-- . Church and Academy Streets,
Rockaway, Morris County.

This church was organized by persons from Danville, Berkshire Valley, Dover, Mt. Freedom, Livingston and other surrounding communities who were zealous and wished to establish and keep a place of worship. The first church, consisting of a frame and roof, was erected in 1759, as a result of subscriptions raised by those willing to "oblige themselves" and donate \$188.00, and who supplemented by a loan of one hundred pounds from Col. Jacob Ford of Morristown. The enthusiasm to use this place of worship was so great that people were known to travel far to participate in divine worship even before the floor was laid, sitting on cross beams, logs, and other improvised seats. The church, only partly enclosed, remained in this condition for about six years.

In 1768, it was improved. Pews were added and the meeting house was altered. Sixty years later a pulpit and seats were secured and a stove was allowed "that if it may be found pernicious that then by a complaint it may be removed". The church was incorporated on March 22, 1787. More repairs to the church were made in 1821 and 1830; a fund was raised for further repairs, but it was diverted to the fund for a new church.

Upon the death of General Windsor, one of the enthusiastic members of the congregation, his will bequeathed to the church, the farm he had bought from Messrs. Thomas and Richard Penn in 1756. This was adjoining the church property and was sold in part to obtain money for the present brick building which was erected and dedicated in 1832. The old church was abandoned.

In 1867, the new church was renovated throughout, after which the church was rededicated on March 14, 1868. The wing now used as Sunday School rooms was completed in 1880. On the occasion of the

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explosion at Lake Denmark, Naval Depot, in 1926, all of the cathedral windows were shattered. Considerable other damage was done, and through the painstaking efforts of the congregation the building has been entirely restored.

The first manse was located on the "Tom Mann Lot". This was a tract of about 100 acres given by Lord Stirling and conveyed by the Proprietors of East New Jersey to the church for parsonage purposes on October 29, 1762. It was about 1 mile from the church. A new manse was erected on this site in January 1793. The present manse was erected in 1872, the lot being donated by Mr. Samuel B. Halsey.

This church of American Colonial architecture is built of bricks which have been painted white. It has a square tower with a pedestal surmounted by a pyramid on each corner; four Gothic and cathedral windows in each broadside and two in the pulpit end.

Rev. James Tuttle, a graduate of the College of New Jersey, served this church from 1768 to 1770. The present pastor is Rev. Eldred Kuizenga, Church Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 5; Deeds, vol. H 7, p. 109; vol. U 8, p. 95.

433. FIRST CHURCH, 1765-- , Main Street, Succasunna, Morris County.

This church stands as one of the oldest Presbyterian churches in Morris County. The deed for the church property was executed on

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September 5, 1765, by Mr. James Parker, conveying one acre of land for a church and burial ground to Messrs. Levi Lewis, Daniel Gory, James King, and Benjamin Clark. The exact date when the frame was raised cannot be obtained, but it was believed to be in 1769 or 1770. During the Revolutionary War, this church was used as an arsenal and hospital.

From 1817 to 1820, the building underwent a thorough repair. In 1853, the congregation decided that the meeting house was too small for all purposes and resolved to construct a new church. The work on the new building was carried forward, and on October 11, 1853, the building was dedicated and set apart for the worship of God. In January 1873, this church was enlarged and seating capacity increased.

In the year 1886, Miss Eliza Pratt Stoddard, daughter of Mrs. Stoddard by her first marriage, was taken by death in her seventeenth year. In her memory, Mrs. Stoddard erected a Memorial Chapel next to the church, the cornerstone of which was laid on May 19, 1887, and was dedicated on May 19, 1888.

The next step forward in the life of the church was the building of the manse which stands as a monument to the work of Rev. Josiah Fisher. He himself obtained all the subscriptions for the building of the manse, and he spent many days of labor, working with his own hands, as a skilled carpenter. In 1929, the Board of Trustees remodeled the manse.

The church of Colonial architecture has a square belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the Memorial Chapel.

Rev. William Woodhull, a graduate of Princeton College, served this church from 1768 to 1775. The present pastor is Rev. Gerald T. Krohn.

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1 vol., in custody of Mrs. LeRoy Reeves Treasurer, Succasunna. Financial
Records, 1817--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Utter, Treasurer, Hercules
Road.

Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's
Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 33; Deeds, vol. G 5, p. 470.

434. BERKSHIRE VALLEY CHURCH, 1803--. Lower Berkshire
Valley Road, Jefferson Township, Morris County.

Preliminary meetings were held from 1803 until 1820, in the
schoolhouse near the main road which runs from Dover to Lake Hopatcong
and Sparta. This building and the one that replaced it in 1874, are no
longer in existence. The church was incorporated November 16, 1813;
and reincorporated March 13, 1827. In the year 1820, a frame church was
erected and dedicated on property purchased from Mr. Stephen Dickerson
and his wife. No description of this house of worship is available
because it was destroyed by fire about five years after its erection.

The present church building erected on the original site is
situated on a knoll about twenty feet above the dirt road on which it
faces. The church of meeting house architecture is a frame structure,
and is painted white. It is surrounded on three sides by the headstones
of the cemetery which date back to 1830. There are two tiers of cathe-
dral windows on either side of the building.

Rev. Enos A. Osborn served this church from 1839 to 1841. The
present pastor is Rev. George B. Schultz, whose charges are at Berkshire
Valley and Mt. Freedom, and lives in a manse provided by Mt. Freedom.
Sunday School classes are conducted in the church proper.

All records previous to 1908, were destroyed by fire at the
home of Rev. Theodore Chambers in Dover, who was the pastor in that year.
Session and Trustee Records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Richard
Pope, Secretary, Upper Berkshire Valley Road. Record of Baptisms,
Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Richard
Pope, Secretary. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1920--, 1 vol., in cus-
tody of Mrs. Fred Dickerson, Valley Road. Financial Records, 1915--,
1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Ella Hopper, Treasurer, R. F. D. #1, Wharton.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Morris County Clerk's
Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 19; vol. A, p. 48; Deeds,
vol. L, p. 36; vol. L 18, p. 580; vol. C 34, p. 331.

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435. PLEASANT GROVE CHURCH, 1807--. Califon Road, Pleasant Grove, Morris County.

Although the early history of this church cannot be established by facts, tradition tells us that the first meeting house, constructed of logs, was built in 1790, on land donated by Mr. William Hann. It was incorporated in 1805. This building was replaced by a stone structure erected in 1807. In 1847, the church received adjoining land left by the will of Mary Hann, and in 1852, Mrs. Martha H. Hunt, a daughter of Mr. William Hann, donated additional plots. This ground was used as a site for the manse which was erected in 1865, and for cemetery purposes. The stone church continued in use until 1857, when it was replaced by a new frame structure, which was destroyed by fire in 1924. The present church building was completed and dedicated in 1925, on the site of the previous church.

The church of Romanesque architecture is a frame structure, with a belfry, bell, steeple, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Joseph Campbell, a graduate of Princeton College, served this church from 1809 to 1832. The present pastor is Rev. William H. Nethery, Califon Road.

Chambers, Theodore T., The Early Germans of New Jersey, Dover Publishing Company, 1895, pp. 181-193.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 21; Deeds, vol. L 4, p. 96; vol. H 4, p. 403.

436. FAIRMOUNT CHURCH, 1813--. Fairmount Road, Fairmount, Hunterdon County.

Fairmount, originally called Parkersville, was settled in 1740. There was preaching at the Foxhill German Reformed Church as early as 1747, about a mile from the present site. This church became affiliated with the Presbytery in 1813, under the name of the Parkersville Church which was later incorporated and name changed to the present title. The original building of logs was located in Parker's Village on the farm of Kate Sutton until 1760. In that year a church was built on the present

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site which was purchased from Mr. Fox. The congregation worshiped here until 1816, when they erected a frame church on the same site and the previous church was torn down. The second church was disposed of in the same manner as the first and the present church was erected in 1851, and dedicated in 1852. The church was remodeled in 1902.

The manse adjoining the church on Fairmount Road was purchased in 1840. The Community House site was purchased and building erected in 1921. This was destroyed by fire in 1940. Sunday School classes are held in the church.

The present church of meeting house architecture is a stone and stuccoed structure, with a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Johannes Conrad Wirz, educated in Germany, served this church from 1750 to 1762. The present pastor is Rev. Frank E. Depue, Fairmount Road.

Chambers, Theodore F., Early Germans in New Jersey, Dover Printing Company, 1895, pp. 126-136.

Snell, James P., History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1881, p. 482.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Hunterdon County Clerk's Office, Special Deeds, vol. 1, p. 229; Deeds, vol. 81, p. 60; vol. 350, p. 459.

437. CHURCH OF LONG VALLEY, 1813--. Main Street, Long Valley, Morris County.

This church was organized in 1813, by a group from the German Reformed Church, who were dissatisfied with the infrequency of church services conducted. The first Sunday School was organized in 1816. The present church was built and incorporated in 1832, on land purchased from Messrs. Lawrence Hager and Jacob Swackhamer, because it seemed advisable to have a separate building for both the church and Sunday School. The result was the erection of the "handsomest church by far in this whole region of the country". The church was remodeled in 1869, and numerous improvements were made.

Graeco-Roman architecture is predominant. It is a white stuccoed structure with a brownstone Roman arch, belfry, tower, spire, and cathedral windows.

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Rev. Jacon R. Costner served this church from 1813 to 1820. The present pastor is Rev. Frank E. Depew, who is pastor of both Long Valley Church and Fairmount Church (entry 436), and resides at the manse of the Fairmount Church, Fairmount Road.

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Blauvelt, I. Alstyne, A Historical Sketch of the German Reformed and Presbyterian Church of Long Valley. Trenton, Murphy and Bechtel, 1870. 56pp.

Chambers, T. F., The Early Germans of New Jersey. Dover Printing Company, 1895. 667 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 87; Deeds, vol. W 3, p. 346; vol. C 4, p. 275.

438. UNION CHAPEL, 1816--. Union Turnpike and Valley View Road, Denville, Morris County.

Services were held in this section as early as 1816, consisting of a Sunday School and an occasional sermon by a minister from the Rockaway Presbyterian Church (entry 432). These meetings were held in the old stone schoolhouse; and when it was destroyed by fire, the barn of Mr. William H. Casterline was used, and later the second schoolhouse was used. In 1820, it was decided to hold nonsectarian services in an effort to attract more members. The organization was incorporated in 1896. In 1897, Mr. Casterline sold the present site to the new organization, and the chapel was erected the same year, being dedicated on April 18, 1899. The property was deeded to the First Presbyterian Church of Rockaway in 1920, and it has been supplied with Presbyterian pastors since. There has never been a settled pastor.

The chapel of Gothic architecture is a frame structure, with a steeple and plain windows. Sunday School classes are held in an ell of the chapel.

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All records are included with those of the First Church, Rockaway (entry 432).

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 190; Deeds, vol. K 15, p. 489; vol. G 26, p. 403.

439. FIRST CHURCH, 1820--. Main Street, Mt. Freedom, Morris County.

There is evidence to support the fact that religious services were conducted in residences at Mt. Freedom, often called Walnut Grove, as early as 1818. However, it was not until July 9, 1820, that a duly organized church body met and elected the ruling Elders for the Presbyterian Church. A growing desire to possess a regular church building for worship precipitated the meeting of May 1, 1821, at which time the assembled folks called another meeting for May 28, 1821, when the Trustees for the church were sworn in by a Justice of the Peace. The congregation purchased property for a church and burial ground from Mr. Jonathan Hulbert in 1824, and erected and dedicated their church the same year.

The site for the manse was purchased in 1836, from Mr. Mark W. Davis and wife and apparently was completed and furnished the following year.

The church of Colonial architecture is a frame structure, with plain windows.

Rev. Jacob Briant served this church from 1824 to 1846. The present pastor is Rev. George B. Schultz, Main Street.

Session Records, 1820--, 4 vols.; Trustee Records, 1820--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1820--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Arthur Canatta, Clerk, Sussex Turnpike. Sunday School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Alice Canatta, Secretary. Ladies' Aid Records, 1868--, 6 vols., in custody of Miss Leah Grace Hulbert, R. D. #1, Dover. Financial Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Arthur Canatta, Clerk.

Record of deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 2, p. 291; vol. O 3, p. 19.

440. OGDEN MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1823--. Main Street, Chatham, Morris County.

The Village Church (as it was called) was organized in Chatham during 1823. Prior to this time, this group attended the Presbyterian

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Church of Madison (then Bottle Hill, entry 428). These people received their letters of dismissal from the Madison Church because they felt they wanted to worship nearer their homes. Services were held in a hall known as the "Union Meeting House" until 1832. The first church was erected and the cornerstone laid in 1832. It was dedicated and incorporated in 1833. The property for the church was purchased from Mr. Calvin D. Smith and wife in the same year.

Land for a manse adjoining the church was purchased in 1848 from Mr. Samuel Spencer. In 1870, the church was enlarged and the interior redecorated. A chapel, which is now St. Paul's Episcopal Church was erected in 1874, on land purchased from Mr. Guy Minton. The present church building was started in 1904, and dedicated June 18, 1905, and made possible through a donation by Mr. and Mrs. R. Allen and Miss Sarah Wallace on property purchased from Mr. John Gould in 1903. It was erected in memory of Dr. Joseph Ogden, the pastor for 45 years of the Presbyterian Church in Chatham. The present manse and Sunday School were built in back of the church in 1926, on the original site.

The church of Tudor-Gothic architecture is a greystone structure, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Asa Lyman, a graduate of Princeton College, served this church from 1824 to 1828. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Biggerstaff, 7 Elmwood Avenue.

Gardner, E.P., A Historical Discourse on the Sixtieth Anniversary of Its Dedication. Chatham, The Holbrook Printing Company, 1893. 19 pp.

Lum, Edward, Centennial of Ogden Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1823-1923. Somerville, Somerset Press, 1923. 60 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, Book A, p. 35; Deeds, vol. D 3, p. 266; vol. N 4, p. 449; vol. E 9, p. 62; vol. E 17, p. 579; vol. P 17, p. 147; vol. I 29, p. 360-362; vol. N 32, p. 441.

441. SCHOOLEY'S MT. CHURCH, 1825--. Morris Turnpike Road, Schooley's Mt., Morris County.

The original church, dedicated in 1825, was built on land to be used as a site for a place of worship by "All Denominations of Christians". This tract was deeded to the Princeton Theological Seminary by Mr. Joseph Heath and his wife Sarah. The present church was dedicated August 7, 1870, and incorporated May 1, 1875.

The church of Roman architecture is a white frame structure, with towering steeple containing a bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. Samuel Sawyer, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, and Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1870 to 1871. The present pastor is Rev. William H. Nethery, Califon Road, Pleasant Grove.

Session Records, 1875--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Homer Mackey, Clerk, Schooley's Mt. Road. Trustee Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1825--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Grover Apgar, Historian, Morris Turnpike Road. Ladies' Aid Records, 1890--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. R. Scheller, Secretary, Hackettstown Road. Financial Records, 1897--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Homer Mackey, Clerk.

Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 93; Deeds, vol. Q 2, p. 509.

442. CENTRAL BRICK CHURCH, 1830--. 7 Prospect Street, East Orange, Essex County.

In 1830, a group of members of the First Church of Orange (entry 423) withdrew and organized the Second Church. They purchased a schoolhouse at Main and Prospect Streets and conducted services there. The following year an adjoining lot was purchased, the schoolhouse was moved to it, and the present church building erected on the original schoolhouse site. The church was remodeled in 1878. In 1906, the Hickok Memorial Chapel was erected adjoining the church. In 1890, the name was changed to the Brick Church; and the Central Church of Orange (entry 455) joined with it.

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This church structure of Gothic architecture is constructed of red brick, and has a steeple, belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in a room adjacent to the auditorium.

Rev. George Pierson was the first pastor, serving from 1831 to 1835. Rev. Mitchell T. Ancker, 10 Grandview Avenue, West Orange, is the present pastor.

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Session Records, 1830-1925, 1929--, 6 vols.; 1830-1925, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Dewitt Hanmore, Secretary, in church vault; 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Withrow, Clerk, 741 Park Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1830--, 6 vols.; 1830-1929, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Dewitt Hanmore, Custodian; 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John W. Rahde, Secretary, Hotel Edgemere. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1831--, 6 vols.; 1831-1929, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Dewitt Hanmore, Custodian; 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Withrow, Clerk, 741 Park Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1830--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Dewitt Hanmore, Secretary, in church vault. Ladies' Aid Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary A. Kilborne, Secretary, 61 High Street, Orange.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. B, p. 18; vol. I, p. 345; vol. 3, p. 201; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 82, p. 172; vol. G 92, p. 336; vol. E 68, p. 396; vol. H 71, p. 509.

443. FIRST AND TRINITY CHURCH, 1831--. South Orange and Irvington Avenues, South Orange, Essex County.

This organization started as a Sunday School. First services were held on the second floor of the Columbia schoolhouse in 1841. The present site was purchased in 1834, on which a frame building was erected in 1882. The First Presbyterian Church of South Orange and Trinity Church (entry 465) of South Orange merged in 1935, and the name was changed to First and Trinity Church. Trinity Church was an offshoot of the First Presbyterian Church of Orange (entry 423).

This church is a brownstone structure of modified Gothic architecture with a belfry, bell, and plain windows. The manse at 20 Grove Road was purchased in 1912 from Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman.

Rev. Horace Doolittle, served this church from 1834 to 1839. The present pastor is Rev. Howard C. Scharfe, 20 Grove Road.

Hundredth Anniversary Sketch, 1832-1932. South Orange, First and Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1932. 16 pp.

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Session Records (include Trinity Church Records), 1832--, 5 vols.; Trustee Records, 1832--, 4 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1832--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Arthur L. Brainerd, Secretary. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Lawrence Forest, Secretary, 214 Mayhew Drive. Financial Records, 1832--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Lyle Weese, Treasurer, 171 Irvington Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 25; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. R 3, p. 252; vol. L 27, p. 12.

444. FIRST CHURCH, 1832--. Church Street, Boonton, Morris County.

The official board of this church organized in 1832 as an outgrowth of a Sunday School formed under the guidance of Mr. James Woodhull in 1831. The congregation met for worship in a schoolhouse, between what are now known as Green and Liberty Streets; and when the weather permitted they held services in the open. This church was known as the Church at Boonton and was more or less under the direction of Rev. John Ford of the Presbyterian Church of Parsippany (entry 431). A few months later the New Jersey Iron Company deeded to the church a plot of land on the corner of Church and Birch Streets. This company also gave pecuniary help in order to start building at once.

The congregation adopted the faith and form of the Presbyterian Church and decided that they would be known as The First Presbyterian Church of Boonton. In May 1833, they incorporated under this name and one month later moved into and dedicated their new church. Supply ministers from the Newark Presbytery served this church.

The first manse was built in 1836, on the corner of Boonton Avenue and Cedar Street. This manse was sold and a new manse purchased on Church Street.

In 1839, the congregation of this church disagreed over the slave question, and as a result a number of the members withdrew, and organized a Congregational church. In 1858, the remaining members decided to build a new church. The old church was sold and moved across the street. The new church was completed and dedicated in 1859. Wings were added in 1863. The congregation repurchased the first church in 1889, and used it as a Mission and Sunday School. It is still being used for these purposes. In 1921, the Rev. Leonard McCain organized a congregation for Negroes. In 1933, they moved to the old John Hill Store on Plane Street, effecting a separate organization.

The church is a frame structure of modified Colonial design. An unusual feature is the pointed shed over all the windows. A tower

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on the northwest corner, contains a four-faced clock and bell, and is surmounted by a tall spire.

Rev. Joseph Vance served this church from 1834 to 1838. The present pastor is Rev. G. Leonard McCain, 513 Birch Street.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 66; Deeds, vol. E 3, p. 62; vol. T 3, p. 197; vol. E 4, p. 224; vol. Y 4, p. 130; vol. T 12, p. 364; vol. V 15, p. 598.

445. FIRST CHURCH, 1833--. Green Village Road, New Vernon, Morris County.

During the year 1832, Rev. Ullrich Maynard, a financial agent for the American Home Missionary Society visited this vicinity, and under the persuasion of Mr. Hoover, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Morristown (entry 426), gathered a group for worship. First services were held in private homes and in two school houses, the New Vernon Academy on Green Village Road, and the new Vernon School. A petition was circulated and a sum raised and deposited with the treasurer of the church, which induced Mr. Maynard to continue preaching. About the same time another subscription bearing 137 names, brought in revenue for the erection of a church. Of this number, 43 pledged themselves for the yearly support of it. With the consent of Presbytery, a meeting was called for June 26, 1833, and the organization was effected, followed by incorporation. A site for the church

was then donated by Mr. Simon Lindley. Work began immediately on the erection of the church and progressed rapidly enough to permit the congregation to use the basement during the winter. However, the church was not dedicated until July 2, 1834. Previous to the building of this church, the members traveled to the First Church, Morristown, for religious worship.

The first manse was built in 1835, on property donated by Mr. Simon Lindley in 1833. The present manse was erected in 1892, on the same site, the first manse having been sold.

Upon the receipt of a pecuniary gift from Miss Cross in 1906, the trustees commenced to raise funds for a chapel. The chapel was not opened formally until 1909.

The church is a white frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a fieldstone foundation. The windows each have twenty lights. A tower, rising in the center of the facade, houses the church bells. Sunday School classes are conducted in the chapel.

Rev. Ulric Maynard, a graduate of Hamilton College, served this church from 1833 to 1835. The present pastor is Rev. Joseph B. Irwin, Bernardsville Road.

Boal, James Hamill, Tales of a Church. New Vernon, First Presbyterian Church, 1933. 10 pp.

Munsell, W. W., A History of Morris County, New York, W. W. Munsell, 1882, p. 226.

Murgatroyd, E. R., Annals of the Village and of the Presbyterian Church of New Vernon, New Jersey. New Vernon, First Presbyterian Church, 1893. 41 pp.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 68; Deeds, vol. E 3, p. 516; vol. I 3, p. 367.

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446. MT. OLIVE CHURCH, 1834--. Flanders Road, Mt. Olive Township, Morris County.

In 1752, the pastor of the Roxbury Church (entry 429), began preaching at Mt. Olive in the Log Church. The date of this building is not known. This was an outstation of the Roxbury Church, and it is believed that the pastor of that church had regular appointments here once a month for 11 years. Mr. James Heaton gave to the trustees of the church an acre of land for church and burial purposes. The Log Church is believed to have been already built, and the church was to be for the use of the Baptist, Congregational, and Presbyterian denominations, and the Church of England. It was chiefly used by the Baptists and Presbyterians.

A new church was begun by the two denominations on the old site. It was in the process of building nine years, and was completed in 1818. On September 8, 1834, the church of Mt. Olive was organized. All the years from 1752, the church organization had been at the Roxbury Church, Chester. The pastors lived there. Because of the inconvenience of traveling, services were held only once every two weeks. An increase in the membership of the church made a separate church organization desirable. The cornerstone for a new house of worship was laid for the Presbyterians on September 30, 1852, on land purchased from Mr. Aaron Salman, Jr. and his wife. It was completed and dedicated in 1854. During 1870 and 1871, the church was thoroughly repaired to meet the needs of the expanding congregation.

In 1855, the site of the manse on Mt. Olive, Budd Lake Road, was purchased from Mr. Samuel Stephen and his wife. There is no information available as to the exact date of the building of the manse. Tradition tells us that it was built soon after the site was acquired.

The church is a white frame structure of Colonial architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement of the church.

Rev. Joseph McConnell served this church from 1849 to 1853. The present pastor is Rev. Kenneth Farnell, Budd Lake Road.

Session Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. George Salman, Clerk, R. F. D. #2, Flanders. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1834--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Hazel Reimel, Secretary, Budd Lake. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1929--, 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1834--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Salman, Clerk.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 80; Deeds, vol. Z 4, p. 307; vol. H 5, p. 364; vol. W 10, p. 420; vol. I 8, p. 484.

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447. FIRST CHURCH OF DOVER, 1835--. 47 West Blackwell Street, Dover, Morris County.

In 1816, Rev. Barnabas King of the Rockaway Church (entry 429), established a Sunday School in Dover as part of his charge. He was assisted by Dr. Hatfield of New York, who preached frequently in Dover. Within the next few months many energetic and public spirited people joined this group, who were very active in the Sunday School and Church movement, and proved to be a powerful addition to the small band of Christian workers. The movement to organize and settle their own pastor brought objection from the sponsoring church at Rockaway. They believed that a new organization could not be self-supporting. The Dover workers, nevertheless, with the support of Presbytery, organized on April 23, 1835, and were duly incorporated as a church society on January 24, 1842. This was the first church organization of any denomination in the village of Dover.

Services were first conducted on the upper floor of what was known as the Stone Academy. In 1841 the movement to erect their other church was enthusiastically received. Elder J. L. Allen drew up the plans for the church and personally supervised the construction, besides making the largest individual contribution. Land was donated by the executors of the estate of Henry McFarlan, Sr. The building was erected on the south side of Blackwell Street at the west corner of Prospect Street. It was dedicated November 15, 1842.

In 1859, the Welsh Church (entry 449) united with the Presbyterian Church in Dover, because their pastor, Rev. John R. Jenkins, was removed to Ohio. It seemed the union would necessitate an enlargement of the Dover Church, and plans were drawn but it was evident from the expense involved, that it would be wiser to build a new church. Nothing was actually done until ten years later. Rev. Jenkins returned to New Jersey and resumed his preaching. Not long after, on November 2, 1869, he was instrumental in launching the Welsh Presbyterian Church of Richard Mine (entry 449). At about this same time two of the members of the Dover Church were conducting religious services and Sunday School meetings in Mine Hill. They were Mr. Pearce Rogers and Mr. David Jenkins and were the organizers of the Presbyterian Church of Mine Hill (entry 460).

One of the greatest benefactors and most ardent workers of the Dover Church, Mr. J. L. Allen died on September 22, 1869. By his will he left \$10,000 toward the erection of a new church, which he foresaw would soon be necessary despite the two branch churches which were set off from the Dover Church. The new building was erected on the site of the first building which was moved across Prospect Street to the opposite corner. It was dedicated in 1872. The manse was built in 1878. In 1888, the church purchased the old Chrystal Street Chapel. A lot was secured and a new chapel erected on South Morris Street.

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At a meeting of the trustees on March 17, 1899, Mr. Hudson Hoagland offered to build a new church as a memorial to his wife, Martha D. Bigelow. The land, purchased from Mr. William H. Baker directly opposite was secured. This with the church building and all the furnishings and equipment with an endowment fund were presented to the congregation as the outstanding munificent gift in the history of the church. Ground was broken on June 18, 1899, and the cornerstone laid September 17, of the same year. The chimes were installed on August 7, 1900, and the handsome edifice was dedicated June 3, 1901. At the time of the explosion at Lake Denmark much damage was done to the church. Several times the tower had been struck by lightning, but the church on each occasion was restored to its original beauty.

The manse at 79 Prospect Street was built in 1878, on a plot donated by Mr. Zobazel Alled.

The third and present memorial church building of beautiful Indiana Limestone and red tile has a very imposing appearance with its tower and large gabled front vehicle porch and the various small gables appearing from the facade and cathedral windows. The main feature is the tower, 125 feet high, which contains melodious chimes. The handsome bronze memorial tablet at the base of the tower reads "This edifice was erected by Hudson Hoagland as a memorial to his beloved wife Martha D. Bigelow MDCCCXCIX".

Rev. James Wyckoff served this church from 1835 to 1838. The present pastor is Rev. George DeWitt, 79 Prospect Street.

Hulsert, J. Howard, First Century of the First Presbyterian Church and Congregation of Dover, New Jersey. Dover, First Presbyterian Church, 1935. 36 pp.

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Platt, Charles D., Dover History, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1914, pp. 413-423.

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143 Prospect Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1883-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. J. Howard Hulsart, Historian. Financial Records, 1882-- , 7 vols., in custody of Mr. S. Schwackhammer, Treasurer, 47 North Bergen Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. E 4, p. 168; Deeds, vol. X 15, p. 440; vol. 9, p. 316.

448. SOUTH STREET CHURCH, 1841-1925. Merged. South Street, Morristown, Morris County.

In the years of 1839 and 1840, there arose in the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown (entry 426) differences as to the management of the church. On January 26, 1841, the session of the church met and formally dismissed 146 members who desired to form a new church. This number was later increased by 62 members in June of the same year when they organized as a church. The meetings of this congregation were held in the upper room of the old Morris Academy on South Street. On May 17, 1841, the organization was officially incorporated as the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in Morristown.

The congregation decided to erect a church of its own and after looking over several sites decided on a plot of ground on South Street. This plot was purchased from Mr. Israel Russell and deeded to the church on July 14, 1841. Ground for the church was broken on May 27, and the church dedicated on October 14, all in the year 1841. The corporate name changed in 1862, to the South Street Presbyterian Church. On a night in January 1877, fire broke out in the church and destroyed the entire building. Use of the public school was secured as a place of worship until a new church could be erected. As a result of a meeting of the congregation it was decided to build a new church on the site of the previous church. This building was begun in the summer of 1877, and completed and dedicated in 1878. This church reunited with the First Church in 1925, and no longer functions as a separate unit. It is used solely as Sunday School quarters.

The church is a brownstone structure of Gothic architecture with cathedral windows. The steeple, containing a bell, rises from the northeast corner of the church and is surmounted by a Celtic cross.

Rev. Orlando Kirtland served this church from 1841 to 1851.

Historical Sermon. Morristown, 1891. 30 pp.

Manual of the South Street Presbyterian Church.

Munsell, W. W., History of Morris County, New York, W. W. Munsell, 1882, pp. 137, 142, 143.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 74; Deeds, vol. 3, p. 179.

449. WELSH CHURCH OF RICHARDS MINE, 1850-1900. Extinct.
Mt. Hope Road, Rockaway Township, Morris County.

From 1850 to 1869, a room adjoining the weighing scales of the Thomas Iron Works was used for religious services. This was located where the main road from Dover up through the Berkshire Valley crossed the Morris Canal at what was later Port Oram and is now Wharton. The church, which was erected in 1869 on the property of the Crane Iron Company, still stands though not used by the Presbyterians since 1900. This church was never incorporated and title to the property was always held by the mining company. Sunday School was organized at the same time the church was formed. Classes were conducted in the same quarters as church services. A fire damaging the church caused the congregation to join the Luxemburg Presbyterian Church (entry 472) in 1900. Since that date only occasional services have been held in the Welsh Church by a Methodist group. In 1938, the building was converted into a recreation hall.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a steeple, open belfry, and plain windows.

Rev. John R. Jenkins served this church from 1869 to 1874.

Platter, D. E., Historical Manual of the Rockaway Presbyterian Church. Trenton, William S. Sharp, 1880. 55 pp.

All records were burned in 1895, when fire consumed the residence of Mr. James Arthur, the mining company superintendent, who had custody of all books and papers. No records can be found from 1895 to 1900.

450. FLANDERS CHURCH, 1852--. Flanders Road, Mt. Olive Township, Morris County.

The members and families that organized and incorporated this church in 1852, were from the Roxbury Church of Chester (entry 429), and the preaching in the first year was mainly by the minister of that church. A house of worship was built in 1853, on a site donated by Mr. William Landon. The manse at Flanders Road was purchased in 1871. In 1890, this church was destroyed and a second was built to replace it. Later in the year 1901, the second church was struck by lightning and destroyed. The present church was built and completed on the same site, in 1902. The church is united with the Methodist Churches of

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Flanders and Drakestown in a federated program, and services are held alternately in each.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. John H. Husted, a graduate of Lafayette College, served this church from 1853 to 1855. The present pastor is Rev. Clarence L. Lecrone, Flanders Road.

History of Morris County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1914, p. 194.

Munsell, W. W., History of Morris County, New York, W. W. Munsell, 1882, pp. 258, 259.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1852--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Augustus Bartley, Elder, Bartley-Flanders Road. Trustee Records, 1852--, 1 vol.; Sunday School Records, 1869--, 6 vols., in custody of Mr. Hezekiah Smith, Secretary, Flanders Road. Ladies' Aid Records, and Women's Auxiliary Records, 1878--, 8 vols., in custody of Mrs. Emma B. Smith, President, Flanders Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1927--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Betty McBride, Secretary, Flanders Road. Financial Records, 1852--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Hezekiah Smith, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 109; Deeds, vol. Y 4, p. 267; vol. D 8, p. 402.

451. MEYERSVILLE GERMAN CHURCH, 1853-1861, 1865--.
Meyersville Road, Meyersville, Morris County.

When this group was organized in 1830, the majority of the people in this territory were German. They held their meetings in private homes until 1845, when they disbanded because the people had lost interest. In 1847, they reorganized and meetings were held in the old School House at Long Hill. Services all were in German, and the records up to 1900, are written in German. Rev. Zeller, who teaches in the Bloomfield College and Seminary (entry 478), conducts German services, and communion four times a year. This group was first Lutheran. In 1848, when the new church was dedicated, on land donated by Mr. Heinrich Meyer, the name was changed to the German Evangelical Church. In 1853, they joined the Presbyterian denomination. From 1861 to 1865, the church was Lutheran; and in 1865, it again became Presbyterian. This church was incorporated in 1889, at which time the manse on Meyersville Road was purchased.

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The church is a frame structure of colonial architecture, with a square tower, bell, spire, and plain windows.

Rev. Heineman served this church from 1849 to 1857. The present pastor is Rev. Joseph B. Irwin, New Vernon.

Session Records, 1867-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William H. Bauman, Clerk; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1900-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. William Bauman, Secretary. Sunday School Records, 1932-- , 1 vol., in custody of Miss Elsie Meuh, Secretary, R. F. D. #1, Chatham. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1926-- , 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. August Schmidt, Secretary, R. F. D. Millington. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1898-- , 2 vols., in custody of Miss Nellie Radder, Secretary, New Vernon Road, Pleasant Plains. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1890-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Katherine Hammer, Secretary, Meyersville Road. Financial Records, 1851-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Everett Hazen, Treasurer, Morristown Road, Gillette.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 161; Deeds, vol. L 4, p. 108; vol. V 12, p. 26.

452. ORANGE VALLEY GERMAN CHURCH, 1859-- . 460 Scotland Road, Orange, Essex County.

This church began as a mission at meetings held in a church on Hillside Avenue, during 1859. They incorporated the same year and became a church. The following year services were moved to Tompkins Street Chapel, Tompkins Street. In 1892, the present site was purchased and the church erected, being dedicated in 1893. The congregation incorporated in 1899. Sunday School rooms were build in 1930, and a site for a manse at 489 Fairview Avenue was purchased in 1937.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture, with a tower and plain windows.

Rev. John F. Kern, a graduate of Bloomfield Theological Seminary, served this church from 1893 to 1924. Rev. Robert G. Freytag is the present pastor, residing at 489 Fairview Avenue.

Freytag, Robert G., Historical Record, Synod of New Jersey, 1938, 2 pp.

Session Records, 1889-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Anderson, Clerk, 282 Main Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1892-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Carl Kleiser, Secretary, 608 Forrest Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1892-- , 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1892-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Crusilla, Secretary,

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368 Bradford Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1895--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Claire Behringer, Secretary, 563 Tremont Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1892--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Dana Seyd, Secretary, 563 Forrest Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. C, p. 93; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Z 10, p. 261; vol. L 14, p. 95; vol. U 14, p. 363.

453. SECOND CHURCH, 1859-1904. Merged. Church Street, Mendham, Morris County.

This church was formed by a group who left the First Presbyterian Church of Mendham (entry 427) in 1859. They purchased a plot just north of the site of the manse of the First Church, on Church Street and erected a church, which was dedicated in 1860. They incorporated the same year. A dwelling was purchased as a manse in 1863. In 1867, a Sessions House was built on the original property adjoining the church. In 1895, this church united with the First Church. The Second Church building was demolished in 1900, and the organization of the church was officially invalidated by the Presbytery of Morris and Orange in 1904.

Rev. Theodore F. White, a graduate of New York University and the Union Theological Seminary, was the first pastor serving only during 1860.

Cochran, Jean Carter, Church Street, Philadelphia, Westminster Press, 1922, p. 227.

All records are in custody of Rev. Henry A. Pearce, 55 William Street, West Orange.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 187; Deeds, vol. U 5, p. 308; vol. D 6, p. 230; vol. A 15, pp. 364-368, 371-374; vol. G 17, p. 293.

454. FIRST CHURCH, 1863--. 3 South Munn Avenue, East Orange, Essex County.

This church was organized by members dismissed from the Second Presbyterian Church (entry 102) for this purpose, and was fostered by the Presbytery of Newark, which sponsored Elmwood Church (entry 459) and later the Italian Chapel (entry 474), both in East Orange. In 1863 and 1864, this group met in private homes, in the Grove Street School, and in the Eastern School. The congregation incorporated in 1863. In 1864, the present site was purchased. The church on South Munn Avenue was erected in 1914. The Church House for social activities was built in 1916. The Andrew Reasoner Memorial

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Chapel was added to the church in 1901. Sunday School classes are conducted in this chapel.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, stone steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. L. Kenyon served this church from 1864 to 1866. The present pastor is Rev. Robert Brewster Beattie, who resides in the manse at 9 South Munn Avenue which was included in the purchase of 1864.

Beattie, Robert Brewster, Seventy-fifth Anniversary, 1863-1938. East Orange, First Presbyterian Church, 1938. 12 pp.

Whittemore, John, The Founders and Builders of the Oranges. Newark, L. J. Hardham, 1896. 9 pp.

Session Records, 1893--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James L. Nesbitt, Clerk, 177 Halsted Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1893--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Paul Smith, Secretary, 130 Prospect Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1893--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. James L. Nesbitt, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1863--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Clarence O. Wood, Superintendent, 3 South Munn Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1819--, 1 vol., in church safe, in custody of Miss Margaret Deignan, Secretary, 39 South Munn Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. C, p. 182; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. E, p. 220.

455. CENTRAL CHURCH, 1866-1929. Merged. 78 Main Street Orange, Essex County.

The origin of this church is traced to meetings held late in 1866, at St. Mark's School House, and in Central Hall, Main Street, until 1869, when land was acquired at the corner of Main and Prince Streets, and a church was erected. The congregation incorporated in 1867. Services continued here until 1872, when the site at 78 Main Street was purchased and the present church and manse were built. This church was dedicated the same year; rebuilt in 1896, and continued in use until 1929, when the congregation merged with the Brick Church of East Orange (entry 442).

The church is a plain stone structure, with a belfry, bell, steeple, and plain windows.

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Rev. E. E. Yeomans was the first pastor, serving from 1867 to 1868.

All records prior to 1929 in custody of Central Brick Church, East Orange (entry 442).

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous Records, vol. C, p. 306; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. H 14, p. 74; vol. E 16, p. 67.

456. WILLIAM STREET CHURCH, 1866--. 94 William Street, Orange, Essex County.

This organization began as a mission known as the First German Presbyterian Church of Orange. Early meetings were held from 1864 to 1869, in a lecture room of the First Church on Main and Day Streets, where the congregation incorporated in 1866. In 1869, a site was purchased on William Street and a church was erected the same year. From 1866 to 1939, the church was known as the First German Church of Orange. The manse at 98 William Street was built in 1886. The Sunday School building was erected in 1899, and enlarged in 1924. The name was changed to the William Street Presbyterian Church of Orange in 1939.

The church is a brick structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Christian C. Wisner, a graduate of the Bloomfield Theological Seminary, served this church from 1866 to 1867. The present pastor is Rev. Otto H. Dietrich, 98 William Street.

Folsom, Joseph F., Municipalities of Essex County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1925, p. 601.

Shaw, William, History of Essex and Hudson Counties, Philadelphia, Everts and Peck, 1884, p. 768.

Whittemore, Henry, Founders and Builders of the Oranges, L. J. Hardham, 1896, pp. 159, 160.

Session Records, 1868--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Louis H. Anderson, Clerk, 216 Park Place. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1866--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Financial Records, 1866--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Victor E. Dese, Treasurer, 16 Passaic Avenue, Livingston.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. E, p. 363; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. K 14, p. 250.

457. BETHEL CHURCH, 1870--. 274 Dodd Street, East Orange, Essex County.

The church Extension Committee of Presbytery purchased a chapel in 1872, on the corner of Brighton Avenue and Dodd Street which this congregation had used since 1870, whereupon they incorporated. Services continued there until 1887, when the present site was bequeathed by Mr. Josiah Dodd. The church was erected and dedicated in 1891. The same year a lot at 185 Midland Avenue was purchased and a manse built. The church was rebuilt in 1905-06, and again in 1939. During the latter year a church house adjoining the church was erected.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry, bell, steeple, and cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are held in the church house.

Rev. James H. Maur, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was the first pastor serving from 1870 to 1872. Rev. Alexander MacAuley, the present pastor, received his call in 1934.

Whittemore, John, The Founders and Builders of the Oranges, Newark, L. J. Hardham, 1896, pp. 152, 153.

Session Records, 1870--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. John Warner, Clerk, 41 Kingsley Street, West Orange. Trustee Records (includes Financial Records), 1900--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Frank Rhodes, Secretary, 64 Laurel Avenue, Bloomfield. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1870--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. William A. Waters, Superintendent, 274 Dodd Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Robert Sutton, Secretary, 42 Dodd Street, Bloomfield.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. D, p. 192; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. E 16, p. 383; vol. T 23, p. 125; vol. O 26, p. 19.

458. CENTRAL CHURCH, 1870--. 78 Maple Street, Summit, Union County.

Nineteen members of the West Summit Chapel organized this church in 1870, and held their services in Littell Hall until 1871. A lot was donated by the Bonnell Family the same year, at which time

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the cornerstone was laid and a new frame church built at the present address. The manse at 70 Maple Street was built in 1870, from plans drawn by the first pastor. The congregation incorporated in 1884. In 1906, ground was broken, the cornerstone laid, and a new brick church was erected on the same site. The old church was remodeled and used for the Sunday School until the completion of the present Sunday School plant in 1923.

This church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with tower, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. J. DeHart Bruen, served this church from 1870 to 1879. The present pastor is Rev. Brockwell S. Brank, 70 Maple Street.

Record, F. W., History of Union County, New Jersey, East Jersey History Company, 1897, p. 592.

Session Records, 1870--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. B. Minor, Clerk, 10 Irving Place. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1870--, 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1875--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Willis M. Pott, Secretary, 100 Larned Road. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1872--, 2 vols.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1870--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. P. M. Stanley, Secretary, 20 Edgewood Road. Financial Records, 1870--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Allen H. Clark, Treasurer, 282 Summit Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Union County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 2, p. 75; Union County Registrar's Office, Deeds, vol. 71, p. 310; vol. 462, p. 261.

459. ELMWOOD CHURCH, 1871--. 98 Eppirt Street, East Orange, Essex County.

This church was founded by the pastor and members of the First Presbyterian Church of East Orange (entry 454). Originally known as a Sunday School, occasional preaching services were conducted. In 1873, a site on Elmwood Avenue and West Street was donated by Mrs. Anna Trippe, and a chapel was erected in 1874. The congregation worshiped here until 1889, when a new building was erected on an adjoining lot. In 1910, the present church was erected adjacent to the old chapel. The manse at 87 Eppirt Street is rented by the church. Sunday School classes are conducted in the original chapel.

The church is a stone structure of Gothic architecture, with belfry, bell, and cathedral windows.

Rev. George S. Webster served this church from 1882 to 1890. The present pastor is Rev. Earl S. Fox, 87 Eppirt Street.

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Session Records, 1871-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John M. Pierce, Clerk, 116 Lenox Avenue. Trustee Records, 1871-- , 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold Wright, Secretary, 526 Wyoming Avenue, Millburn. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1933-- , 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1874-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. A. Van Dyne, Secretary, 123 Shepard Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1890-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Earl S. Fox, 87 Eppirt Street. Financial Records, 1874-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. A. Van Brunt, Financial Secretary, 123 Eppirt Street.

Record of deed: Essex County Register's Office, Deed, vol. 0, p. 273.

460. FIRST CHURCH, 1872-- , Route #6, Mine Hill, Morris County.

Early meetings were held in the home of Mr. David Jenkins on the Main Road. A site was purchased and the first church was erected in 1873, but only the basement was used until its completion and dedication on July 4, 1876. The manse was built on land donated by the Crane Iron Company in 1920. Services were held here until the church burned in 1925. The present church was erected in 1927, on the same site. Sunday School classes are conducted in a large auditorium at the left of the main part of the church.

The church is a brownstone structure of Romanesque architecture, with a tower and cathedral windows.

Mr. Pierce Rogers served this church from 1874 to 1894. The present pastor is Rev. Horace A. Sibley, Main Road.

History of Morris County, New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1914, p. 155.

Munsell, W. W., History of Morris County, New York, W. W. Munsell, 1882, p. 309.

Session Records (include Record of Vital Statistics), 1875-- , 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Pierce Rogers, Clerk, 169 Watchung Avenue, Chatham. Trustee Records, 1915-- , 3 vols., in custody of Miss Gladys Parsons, Secretary, William Street. Sunday School Records, 1888-- , 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Lindy Baxter, Superintendent, Clover Place. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1917-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Horace Sibley, President, Main Road. Ladies' Aid Records, 1924-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Albert Powell, President, William Street. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1919-- , 2 vols., in custody of Miss Arlene Corby, President, Main Road. Financial Records, 1872-- , 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Fred Rogers, Treasurer, 169 Watchung Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. A, p. 375; Deeds, vol. B, p. 288.

461. FIRST CHURCH, 1872--. Central Avenue, Stirling, Morris County.

In order to establish a permanent village in Stirling, a church was needed. Property was acquired by donation of Mr. Rankin of Chatham, and the cornerstone of the church was laid August 6, 1872. The congregation incorporated the same year. Previous to this date, church services and Sunday School, organized in 1871, had been held in a store near the depot.

The manse on Central Avenue was erected in 1929, on the original church plot. The building and lot for the parish house, also on Central Avenue, was purchased in 1935. Sunday School classes are now conducted in the parish house.

The church is a white frame shingled structure of meeting house architecture, with a belfry, spire, and plain windows.

Rev. Henry M. Grant served this church from 1872 to 1876. The present pastor is Rev. William Carner Cain, Central Avenue.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1875--, 4 vols.; Trustee Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1927--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Helen C. Cain, Secretary, Central Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records (include Ladies' Aid Society Records), 1929--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Robert Russell, Secretary, Valley Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1938--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Beatrice Ehrler, Secretary, Chestnut Road. Financial Records, 1875--, 4 vols., in custody of Miss Grace Pollard, Secretary, Long Hill Road.

Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 82; Deeds, vol. R. 8, p. 125.

462. TAYLORTOWN CHAPEL, 1872--. Boonton Avenue, Taylortown, Morris County.

There was no established church and no place of worship in this village until the year 1872, when Miss Sarah Cutler, a school teacher, began to hold Sunday School services in a one room schoolhouse. These services continued in the school until 1894. Under the guidance of the Presbyterian Church of Boonton (entry 444), a small frame chapel was erected and dedicated on a plot of ground on the south side of Boonton

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Avenue, Taylortown, purchased in 1894. Sunday School services are held regularly every Sunday, but church services were irregular, being held about once a month. The expenses of the chapel were to a greater extent the care of the Presbyterian Church of Boonton, which had assumed the full load of the mission.

On the night of April 25, 1923, a fire destroyed the entire chapel, and it was the following year, before the new chapel was built, and dedicated on November 30, 1924. Since the chapel had never been a fully constituted organization the sponsoring church felt that the chapel should assume some if not all of the responsibility pertaining to itself, in consequence an adult women's class, called the Willing Workers, was formed in 1929. The class is really the governing body of the Chapel. It is their duty, with financial help from the Sunday School, to meet the expenses of the chapel. However, the title of the chapel is still vested in the sponsor church. Church services are held once a month.

This chapel is a frame building, with three plain windows on either side of the church and two in the facade.

Rev. Thomas Cotter, a graduate of Princeton University, was the pastor when the mission was established. There is no settled clergyman owing to this being a mission of, and supplied by, the Presbyterian Church of Boonton, whose pastor, Rev. George Leonard McCain officiates.

All records are part of, and incorporated in, the records of the First Presbyterian Church of Boonton (entry 444).

Record of deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. V 15, p. 598.

463. FIRST CHURCH OF WYOMING, 1873--. 432 Wyoming Avenue, Milburn, Essex County.

The Wyoming Church held its initial meeting on Sunday, November 9, 1873, in a D. L. & W. Railroad Station, which was located on the north side of the tracks a little east of the place where Wyoming Avenue now crosses them. It would have been difficult to pick a year more adverse financially than 1873, for the beginning of the church. In spite of discouragements the constituents, led by Rev. Brown Emerson, made progress. They petitioned the Presbytery of Morris and Orange to be admitted. The petition was granted in 1875; and on April 21 of that year the group became incorporated as the First Presbyterian Church of Wyoming. In 1878, land was purchased from Mr. Luther W. Badger for expansion purposes; and in 1883, Mr. Edward Hand donated a plot of ground, and the chapel was erected

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the same year. Worship continued here until 1932, when the present church was erected and dedicated, adjacent to the chapel, now used as a Sunday School.

The church is a red brick structure of Norman-Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows, a tower, bell, and belfry, surmounted by a Sir Christopher Wren steeple.

Rev. Brown Emerson served this church from 1873 to 1876. The present pastor is Rev. Ralph H Read, who resides at 58 Jefferson Road, Short Hills.

Short History of the Growth of the Wyoming Church.
Millburn, First Presbyterian Church, 1932.

Session Records, 1874--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Edgar T. Honey, Clerk, 87 Pine Street, Maplewood. Trustee Records, (include Financial Records), 1875--., 3 vols., in custody of Mr. John C. Ellwanger, Secretary, 12 Marian Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1875--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Edgar T. Honey, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1873--., 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Albert E. Hand, Treasurer, 50 Cedar Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1910--., 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Robert F. Smith, Secretary, 22 Norwood Terrace. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1930--., 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mary L. Hansen, Secretary, 88 Cedar Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. E, p. 142; Essex County Register's Office, Deed, vol. X 19, p. 370.

464. FIRST CHURCH, 1874--.. Speedwell and Rosedale Avenues, Morris Plains, Morris County.

The beginning of the Morris Plains Presbyterian Church is said to have been the outgrowth of a Sunday School organized by Mr. Fred Burnham, which met in the old township school on Hanover Avenue. On May 10, 1874, a church was organized. It was established not as a denominational unit, but Christians of all denominations were invited to participate in its privileges and duties until 1876, when it incorporated as a Presbyterian church. Property was donated by Mr. Fred Burnham on the corner of Hanover and Stiles Avenues, and a church was erected and dedicated in December 1877. In 1905, an addition was built on the southwest corner.

In the year 1908, through the efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society, the church acquired a desirable site on Speedwell Avenue. Consequently, the church was moved. The reopening and dedication took place in April 1913.

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The manse now at 9 Rosedale Avenue was originally located on Hanover Avenue, some distance from the church. In 1921, the manse was moved to its present site adjoining the church. During 1922, an addition was made to the church to accommodate Sunday School classes.

The church is a brick structure of Colonial architecture, with a square steeple rising from the southeast corner of the church, a bell and cathedral windows.

Rev. W. J. Wright served this church from 1882 to 1883. The present pastor is Rev. Joseph Edward Walsh, 9 Rosedale Avenue.

Harris, Henry, Fiftieth Anniversary. Morris Plains, First Presbyterian Church, 1927. 20 pp.

Munsell, W. W., History of Morris County, New York, W. W. Munsell, 1882, pp. 144, 256, 308.

Session Records, 1882--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Harold E. Sanford, Clerk, 49 Franklin Place. Trustee Records, 1934--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Yawger, Secretary, 43 Franklin Place. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1919--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harold E. Sanford, Clerk. Sunday School Records, 1933--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Alfred Bauman, Secretary, 28 Gregory Avenue. Ladies' Aid Records, 1897--, 9 vols., in custody of Mrs. Dorothy Roach, Secretary, Stiles Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1921--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. William J. Humphrey, Secretary, 808 Speedwell Avenue. Financial Records, 1933--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Warren K. Morgan, Morristown Trust Company, Morristown.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 100; Deeds, vol. 9, p. 132; vol. B 12, p. 387; vol. N 21, p. 510; vol. A 22, p. 128; vol. H 28, p. 302.

465. ST. CLOUD CHURCH, 1876--. 4 Ridgeway Avenue, West Orange, Essex County.

The ancestors of the founders of this church were among the founders of the Mountain Society which became the First Presbyterian Church of Orange (entry 423). We can safely say that the children of this society formed the St. Cloud Presbyterian Church. This group met from 1876 to 1877 in a rented church on Edgewood Avenue. Mr. James Brown donated a site on Ridgeway Avenue in 1877, and the church was erected and dedicated then. The congregation incorporated in 1910.

The manse and lot were purchased in 1890. A parish house was erected on the original acquirement in 1877, and is now used to accommodate Sunday School classes.

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The church is a frame and brownstone structure of meeting house architecture, with a small tower and plain windows.

Rev. William P. Whitaker, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1877 to 1894. The present pastor is Rev. R. Lloyd Roberts, 6 Ridgeway Avenue.

Brown, Elizabeth, St. Cloud Church. West Orange, St. Cloud Presbyterian Church, 1917. 151 pp.

Whittemore, Henry, The Founders and Builders of the Oranges, Newark, L. J. Hardham, 1896, p. 155.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1877-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Leslie F. Binder, Clerk, Dogwood Road. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1877-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. H. L. Duryea, Treasurer, St. Cloud Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1877-- , 3 vols., in custody of Miss Edith Schall, Secretary, 176 Park Avenue, East Orange. Women's Guild Records, 1877-- , 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Edward Dubber, Secretary, Ridgeway Avenue. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1877-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. Barbara Stauffer, Secretary, Dogwood Road.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 360; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. W 49, p. 528-530.

466. PLEASANTDALE CHURCH, 1877-- . Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange, Essex County.

The beginning of this church arose in meetings held in the Pleasantdale Schoolhouse during 1877 and 1878. In the latter year, the present site was purchased and the church erected and dedicated. A Parish House was built on the church property in 1886, and remodeled during 1936. The site of the manse was donated by Mr. Jacob Warren and family and the manse was erected in 1881. This church was known as the German Presbyterian Church until 1929, when it incorporated and became the Pleasantdale Church.

The church is a frame structure of colonial type of architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church proper.

Rev. Franz Hantig was the first pastor, serving from 1878 to 1888. Rev. Paul M. Hosler, the present pastor, was installed in 1932.

Session Records, 1878-- , 2 vols.; Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1878-- , 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry Wadans,

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Clerk, 74 Roosevelt Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1878--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1878--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Baily Smith, Secretary, 18 Hartshorne Terrace. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1878--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Muland Alexander, Secretary, 23 Rohensten Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Winifred Helmlinger, Secretary, 433 Pleasant Valley Way.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. F, p. 1; Essex County Register's office, Deeds, vol. H 20, p. 39; vol. A 21, p. 466; vol. N 27, p. 136; vol. 27, p. 512.

467. HILLSIDE CHURCH, 1887--. 494 Hillside Avenue, Orange, Essex County.

Organization and subsequent meetings were held in homes of various members and in Westcott's Gymnasium on Highland Avenue in 1887. The site was acquired and frame chapel started in 1888, and despite the blizzard in that year, work pushed ahead and the church was completed the same year. The present church was erected on the same site. The old chapel is now used as a lecture room. This church was first known as Tremont Presbyterian Church, but shortly afterward acquired the present name.

This church is a brick and cement structure of Gothic architecture, with a belfry and cathedral windows. The present manse at 472 Hillside Avenue was built in 1923.

Rev. Stanley White, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1887 to 1907. The present pastor is Rev. John A. MacSporran, 472 Hillside Avenue.

Whittemore, Henry, Founders and Builders of the Oranges, Newark, L. J. Hardham, 1896, p. 256.

Session Records, 1887--, 2 vols.; Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1887--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Cooper, Secretary, 24 Hollywood Avenue, East Orange. Sunday School Records, 1887--, 2 vols.; Young People's Christian Endeavor Records, 1890--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mildred Eakin, Secretary, 1659 Springfield Avenue, Maplewood. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1891--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Bruce Campbell, Secretary, 360 Scotland Road.

Record of incorporation and deed: Sussex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 22; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. Y 23, p. 457.

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468. ARLINGTON AVENUE CHURCH, 1891--. 320 Springdale Avenue, East Orange, Essex County.

Members of various denominations met from 1891 to 1893, in private homes as an organized Sunday School. In 1892, they organized and incorporated as a Presbyterian church. In 1893, the present site was purchased from Mr. James Bingham and the present church erected. The manse on Springdale Avenue was erected in 1903, on property purchased from Mr. Thomas J. Hankins.

The church is a brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. John M. Thomas, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, served this church from 1893 to 1908. The present pastor is Rev. William E. Kroll, 339 Springdale Avenue.

Thomas, John M., The Founding of the Arlington Avenue Church. Orange, Chronicle Press, 1902. 8 pp.

Session Records, 1892--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Rowland Young, Clerk, 447 North Maple Avenue. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1892--, 6 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1920--, 3 vols., in custody of Miss Sigrid Samuelson, Secretary, 242 North Oraton Parkway. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. D. S. Killson, Secretary, 111 North 19th Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. 1, p. 92; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. H 27, p. 375; vol. I 36, p. 551.

469. TRINITY CHURCH, 1892-1936. Merged. South Orange Avenue and Grove Road, South Orange, Essex County.

This group withdrew from the First Presbyterian Church of Orange (entry 420) in 1892. Services were held in the Columbia School while their church was being erected. The church was completed and dedicated on January 27, 1893, on a site donated by Mr. Henry W. Freeman and wife. The congregation continued to worship here until 1936, when they merged with the First Church of South Orange. After the merger the name was changed to the First and Trinity Church of South Orange (entry 443)

Rev. Asa Wyn Koop, was the first pastor serving this church from 1893 to 1901.

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All records from 1892 to 1936, are in the custody of the First and Trinity Church in South Orange (entry 443).

470. KITCHELL MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1894--. Grant Avenue,
Hanover Neck, Morris County.

The Hanover Presbyterian Church (entry 430) is the sponsor of this church. Services have been held since 1894. This group was formerly the Bethel Chapel, but in July 1927, became incorporated under the name of Kitchell Memorial, in memory of the Kitchell family, who gave the property in 1897, upon which the church stands. Prior to 1936, services were held every fifth Sunday evening by Rev. Robert Lawson, Hanover. They had supply ministers to serve when it was possible.

The church is a white shingled structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Edward Baervelt, a graduate of Bloomfield Theological Seminary, has served this church since 1936.

Manual of the Presbyterian Church of Hanover,
Morristown, Morris County Chronicle, 1899, p. 16.

Session Records (include Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Walter Schroeder, Clerk, Mt. Pleasant Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1895--, 5 vols., in custody of Mrs. Dorothy Baervelt, Secretary, Grant Avenue. Men's Club Records, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Lee R. Brown, Secretary, Ridgedale Avenue. Financial Records, 1895--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Martin Diel, Treasurer, Ridgedale Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. N, p. 202; Deeds, vol. M, p. 546; vol. P 15, p. 280.

471. CALVARY CHAPEL, 1897--. South Orange Avenue,
Florham Park, Morris County.

This chapel was originally known as the Columbia Lecture Room of the Hanover Church, and was organized in 1897, as a Mission of the Hanover Presbyterian Church (entry 430). It was incorporated as a self sustaining congregation in 1929. The first chapel, now converted into a dwelling, was located across the street from the present chapel, which is located on South Orange Avenue and was erected and dedicated in 1929, on a site purchased by the Columbia Lecture Room and later donated to the chapel.

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This church is a frame structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the church.

Rev. Joseph Ferguson, a graduate of Yale University served this church from 1898 to 1909. At present the church is without a pastor.

Session Records (include Record of Vital Statistics), 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Beatrice Zuckwent, Clerk, Ridgedale Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1900--, 5 vols., in custody of Mr. Raymond Felch, Superintendent, Brookdale Road. Ladies' Aid Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. H. B. Smith, Secretary, Crescent Road. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. H. M. Wade, Secretary, Roosevelt Boulevard, Brooklake Park. Financial Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Floyd Zuckwert, Treasurer, Ridgedale Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 370; Deeds, vol. H 4, p. 330.

472. LUXEMBURG CHURCH, 1900--. West Main Street, Wharton, Morris County.

When this church organized early in 1900, meetings were held in the home of Mrs. Samuel James, West Main Street. The congregation incorporated in 1901. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1902, on land purchased from the E. J. Ross Manufacturing Company. The congregation of the Welsh Church, Richards Mine (entry 449) joined this church after its house of worship had been damaged by fire.

Land was donated by the Warren Foundry and Pipe Corporation for a manse site. This property is still being held by the church, but to date, no manse has been erected. Sunday School classes are held in the basement of the church.

The church is a frame structure of Colonial architecture, with a belfry, bell, and cathedral windows. Rev. John Lawrence, a graduate of New York University, served this church from 1900 to 1906.

The present pastor is Rev. James Weaver, a student at Drew University, Madison.

Session Records (contain Financial Records), 1900--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. James Williams, Secretary-Treasurer, Dewey Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1902--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. T. J. Henderson, Clerk, Main Street. Sunday School Records, 1900--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Jane Lewis, Clerk, Church Street. Ladies' Aid Records, 1915--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Williams, Secretary, Dewey Avenue.

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Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 224; Deeds, vol. Y 16, p. 366; vol. Z 16, p. 431; vol. E 32, p. 34.

473. HUNGARIAN CHURCH, 1904--. Roberts Street, Wharton, Morris County.

The church was organized in 1904, with services conducted in various churches of the town. A plot of ground was purchased on Roberts Street, and a house of worship erected and dedicated in 1906. There were no regular pastors of the church until 1916. Up to that time, students occupied the pulpit. The church was incorporated as the Hungarian Church of Wharton in 1920.

The manse was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pfeiffer in 1916.

The church is a frame structure of Gothic architecture. The tower is situated in the front part of the building, and contains a bell. In 1928, a Sunday School annex was built in the rear of the church.

The present pastor is Rev. Frank Dezso, 58 South Main Street, who received his call in 1926.

Session and Trustee Records, 1923--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 2 vols.; Sunday School Records, 1925--, 2 vols.; Ladies' Aid Records, 1925--, 2 vols.; Financial Records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of the pastor. All records are written in Hungarian.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. T 23, p. 529; Deeds, vol. L 18, p. 148; vol. P 26, p. 41.

474. ITALIAN CHAPEL, 1911--. 138 Crawford Street, East Orange, Essex County.

This chapel began as a mission of the First Presbyterian Church of East Orange (entry 454). They met from 1911 to 1912, at 28 Smith Street, Newark, and from 1912 to 1915 at 114 Crawford Street, East Orange. Land at 138 Crawford Street was acquired in 1915, and the present chapel was erected and dedicated the same year.

The manse at 210 Rhode Island Avenue is rented by the church. Sunday School classes are conducted in a room adjoining the main auditorium.

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The church is a frame and brick structure of meeting house type of architecture, with a belfry, bell, and plain windows.

Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Ralph Leuzzi, Treasurer, 214 Halstead Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Diegnan, Secretary, 3 South Munn Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1915--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Angela Virra, Secretary, 214 Halstead Street. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Mary Leuzzi, Secretary, 214 Halstead Street.

475. PROSPECT CHURCH, 1912--. 646 Prospect Street, Maplewood, Essex County.

A committee representing the Presbytery of Morris and Orange and members of the First Presbyterian Church of East Orange (entry 454) met in their Session Room and organized this church. The first services were held in a residence at 83 Oakview Terrace. Mr. William Burnett donated a site at 646 Prospect Street in 1912, and a frame chapel was built that year. The congregation continued to meet here until August 1924, when the chapel was moved to the rear of the lot. It is now used as the Parish House. Services were held during this time in the Tuscan School until December of the same year. The present church was erected in December 1924, and was used for worship, but was not dedicated until September 19, 1926.

The church is a greystone structure of Gothic architecture, with tower and cathedral windows. The manse, at 18 Burnett Terrace, was donated by Henrietta E. White in 1929. Sunday School classes are held in the parish house.

Rev. David Edwards served this church from 1912 to 1917. The present pastor is Rev. Arthur M. Butz, 18 Burnett Terrace.

Session Records (include Financial Records), 1912--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Charles Doll, Secretary, 48 Oakview Terrace. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1912--, 5 vols., in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1912--, 2 file boxes in custody of the pastor. Ladies' Aid Records, 1912--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Harry Ergstrand, Secretary, 78 Park Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. R C 2, p. 22; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. H 24, p. 381; vol. H 80, p. 213.

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476. HILDALE PARK CHURCH, 1915--. Ridgedale Avenue,
Cedar Knolls, Morris County.

Mrs Horace Greenway, a resident of Cedar Knolls, organized this church in 1915. The members, totaling about 50, received their letters of dismission from the Morris Plains Presbyterian Church (entry 464). The early meetings of this group were held at the home of Mrs. Greenway at North Plain Avenue. The present church was erected and dedicated in 1919, on a plot donated by Mr. George W. Hild. The congregation incorporated in 1924. The church was renovated in 1930 and 1932.

The church is a frame structure of meeting house architecture, with plain windows. Sunday School classes are conducted in the basement.

Rev. Charles Ballard, a graduate of New York University, served this church from 1920 to 1926. The present pastor is Rev. David Goue, 6 Jardine Road, Morristown.

Session Records, 1915--, 2 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Jessey D. Cook, Clerk, Ridgedale Avenue. Sunday School Records, 1917--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Horace Greenway, Secretary, Ridgedale Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jessey D. Cook, Clerk, Grand Avenue. Financial Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Horace Greenway, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deed: Morris County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. B, p. 344; Deeds vol. N 29, p. 237.

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477. PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, 1812--. Princeton,
New Jersey.

Long before the Seminary was established Presbyterians in America realized the growing demands for a school for the preparation of candidates for the ministry.

As early as 1806, the Presbytery of Philadelphia began discussing and formulating plans for such a project. Dr. Archibald Alexander openly sponsored the movement in his sermon before the 1808 assembly.

A proposal to establish a Theological Seminary for the Presbyterian Church was introduced in the General Assembly in 1809. Three plans were recommended to the presbyteries: the first, to establish one school in some convenient location near the population center of the church; the second, to establish two schools one in the North, and the other in the South; the third, to establish a school in each of the synods. The General Assembly received reports from the presbyteries in 1810, that led them to decide upon a single school and to appoint a committee to prepare a "Plan for a Theological Seminary", to be reported to the next General Assembly. The plan reported was adopted in 1811. Princeton, New Jersey, was the temporary location of the Seminary. A Board of Directors was elected, and Dr. Archibald Alexander was appointed Professor of Didactic and Polemic Divinity. Rev. Samuel Miller was appointed Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church Government in 1813, and the Princeton location was made permanent.

The Trustees of the College of New Jersey agreed to allow the General Assembly the use of their buildings for Seminary students, and offered space on the campus for the erection of any building necessary for the use of the Seminary. Classes were first held in Doctor Alexander's study, and later, for a time, in the College buildings. In 1815, the General Assembly laid plans for the erection of a hall for lecture rooms and lodgings. The corner stone was laid the same year, and the building, now known as Alexander Hall, was occupied in 1817. The General Assembly authorized the faculty to appoint an Assistant Teacher of the Original Languages of Scripture in 1820. Mr. Charles Hodge, a graduate of the Seminary, and a licentiate of the Church, was selected. He accepted, and was ordained the same year. In 1822, the General Assembly elected Mr. Hodge Professor of Oriental and Biblical Literature.

A charter, granted in November 1822 by the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, was accepted by the General Assembly in 1824, and the property and funds of the Seminary were placed in charge of a Board of Trustees. The corporate name of the institution, "Trustees of the

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Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church", was thereby incorporated by this act of legislature.¹

"The first session of the Seminary began with three students matriculated on the twelfth day of August, one later in August, and five in November. Since then, eight thousand, three hundred and ninety-nine students have been enrolled, coming from all parts of the United States and many foreign countries. Of these, 578 have entered upon foreign mission work".

PURPOSE

In the Plan of the Seminary, as adopted by the General Assembly, its design is in part as follows:

"The General Assembly, after mature deliberation, have resolved, in reliance on the patronage and blessing of the Great Head of the Church, to establish a new Institution, consecrated solely to the education of men for the Gospel ministry, and to be denominated "The Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

"It is to provide for the Church an adequate supply and succession of able and faithful ministers of the New Testament: workmen that need not be ashamed, being qualified rightly to divide the word of truth.

"It is to furnish our congregations with enlightened, humble, zealous, laborious pastors, who shall truly watch for the good of souls, and consider it as their highest honour and happiness to win them to the Saviour, and to build up their several charges in holiness and peace.

"It is to lay the foundation of early and lasting friendships, productive of confidence and mutual assistance in after life among the ministers of religion; which experience shows to be conducive not only to personal happiness, but to the perfecting of inquiries, researches, and publications advantageous to religion".

BUILDINGS

Alexander Hall was occupied in 1817.

Miller Chapel was erected in 1834. The interior was remodeled in 1874, and in 1933 the Chapel was moved to a more central location.

1. P. L. 1822, p. 76.

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The first library was erected in 1843, the building and five acres of land generously donated by James Lenox, Esq., of New York.

Brown Hall was donated by Mrs. Isabella Brown of Baltimore. The corner stone was laid in 1864, and the Hall was occupied in 1865.

Stuart Hall was erected in 1876 and has two auditoriums.

The second library was also donated by James Lenox, Esq., in 1879.

Hodge Hall was completed in 1893, by money from the bequest of Mrs. Mary Stuart of New York.

Ground for the erecting of Payne Hall was donated by Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Erdman. The Hall was given by Mr. and Mrs. Calvin N. Payne, of Titusville, in 1922.

The Gymnasium is equipped with all modern apparatus.

The first professor and accordingly the first officer of the Seminary was Dr. Archibald Alexander; the present president, assisted by an outstanding and able faculty, is John Alexander Mackay, Litt. D., D. D., LL. D., L. H. D.

A Letter from the General Assembly for the Establishment of a Theological School. Philadelphia, Jane Aitken, printer, 1810. 10 pp.

Annual Reports (of the Board of Directors), 1817-25, 9 vols.

Campus Calendar and Directory. Mimeographed. 7 copies.

Fourth Report of the Board of Directors of the Princeton Theological Seminary to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. Philadelphia, W. and W. Bradford, 1816. 8 pp.

Fourteenth Annual Report of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary. Philadelphia, Jesper Harding, 1826. 8 pp.

Plan of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, collated in Princeton, New Jersey. Elizabethtown, Isaac A. Kollock, 1816. 23 pp.

Purvis, George T., The Princeton Theological Seminary. A History, in The Princeton Book (by officers and

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graduates of the Institution). Boston, Houghton, Osgood and Company, 1879. 455 pp.

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Report of the Committee appointed to Devise Ways and Means for the Theological Seminary; with a Circular Letter of the General Assembly in the United States of America to the Churches under their Care. Philadelphia, Thomas and William Bradford, 1816. 8 pp.

The Centennial Celebration of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 1812-1912. Published by the Trustees of the Princeton Theological Seminary, 1912. 1 vol. 565 pp.

The Plan of a Theological Seminary Adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America in their Session of May last, A. D. 1811; together with the Measures Taken by them to Carry the Plan into Effect. Philadelphia, Jane Aitken, 1811. 26 pp.

CORRESPONDENCE

Hon. Richard Stockton, LLD., to Rev. Ashbel Green, dated May 11, 1812, in which he offers to the original Directors the land on which the Seminary was built. ms. 1 folder.

From and to Rev. Samuel Miller, D. D., and wife, 1814-51. mss. 1 portfolio.

1818-51. Recommending students entering the Seminary. 26 letters.

1822-29. Students recommended for entry to the Theological Seminary at Princeton, 1 vol. ms. 28 pp.

Abner P. Leaveworth, Andover Seminary, Massachusetts, dated March 29, 1828, to John Thompson at Princeton Seminary, relative to Foreign Missions. 1 letter.

Elijah C. Bridgeman, Andover Seminary, Massachusetts, dated September 8, 1828, to Hollis Reed and Jacob D. Mitchell at Princeton Seminary, relative to certain students entering the Foreign Mission Field. 1 letter.

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John B. Adger, to Drs. Alexander, Miller, and Hodge of the Theological Seminary, dated Smyrna, June 29, 1836, re: various difficulties encountered on account of the language and false reports causing trouble among the natives.

Rev. Archibald Alexander, dated December 9, 1837, to Rev. Benjamin L. Swan, Fair Haven, Connecticut. ms. 1 folder.

Rev. Archibald Alexander, dated February 16, 1846, addressed to Mrs. Phebe Robinson, Morristown, New Jersey. ms. 1 folder.

Arthur Cleveland Coxe, dated 1892, to Rev. Wilbain Henry Green. ms. 1 folder.

Dr. Samuel Miller to Mr. Cheetham on the Dissolution of the Collegiate Relation in New York City. 1 folder.

Dr. Samuel Miller's writings during the years he was a professor at Princeton Theological Seminary. Undated. ms. 1 folder.

Minutes of the Board of Directors, 1812-1929, 16 vols. (1812-1909, hdw., and 1909-29 typed). No additional minutes. Board not in existence since 1929.

Minutes of Faculty, 1814-1903, 2 vols. Hdw. 1903--, 3 vols. (1 vol., 1903-26 hdw., and 2 vols., 1926--, typed), in the Library.

Minutes of Trustees, 1824--, 11 vols. (6 vols., 1824-1906, hdw.; 2 vols., 1907-30, typed; 3 vols., 1930--, mimeographed). Also contain Treasurer's Reports. In Treasurer's Office, Hodgehall.

Minutes of the Centennial Committee of P. T. S. Private Document, 1910-13, 5 pamphlets. Printed. (April 5, 1910 to June 14, 1911, 14 pp.; October 10, 1911 to January 12, 1912, 14 pp.; February 6, 1912, 7 pp.; October 8, 1912, 7 pp.; May 5, 1913, 4 pp.).

Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Centennial Committee of P. T. S., June 1911 - September 1911, 1 pamphlet. Printed. 16 pp.

REPORTS

Permanent Fund. August 22, 1817. 1 vol.

Records of the Faculty (Professors) to the Board of Directors of the Seminary, May 8, 1821; September 22, 1827; May 8, 1828; September 18, 1833. Hdw. (Showing the young men received and dismissed from the Seminary). These are all separate, consisting of one or two sheets each.

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Reports of the Faculty to the Board of Directors, May 12, 1888. Hdw. (Showing reports on the exercise of the students, gymnasium, and outdoor athletics). 1 package. These are all separate, consisting of one or two sheets.

Reports of the Committee appointed to attend the semi-annual examination of students in the Theological Seminary May 11, 1821, September 24, 1827, and September 23, 1833. Hdw. (In package with Reports of Librarian to Directors). These are all separate, consisting of one or two sheets.

Librarian Reports to the Directors, September 24, 1827; May 12, 1828; September 22, 1828; September 24, 1832, and September 20, 1833. Hdw. These are all separate, consisting of one or two sheets.

Princeton Theological Seminary Library Committee (Reports), 1877-1911. 1 vol. This committee was constituted by action of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary at its meeting held October 31, 1877. Hdw.

Receipt Book, 1847-48. 1 vol. Disbursements made in building the New Refectory. Rev. Charles Hodge, Custodian. Presented to the Library by the estate of Caspar Wistar Hodge.

A supplement to this present volume is being prepared, in which will appear a complete inventory of the Princeton Theological Seminary Library. The inventoried material includes catalogues; collections of addresses and sermons, autobiographies, biographies, journals, lectures, and miscellaneous groupings; the Hodge Family collection; museum pieces; necrology lists; newspaper files; photographs; portraits; Prime Family collection; publications concerning the Seminary; records and registers of vital statistics; sermons in manuscript form; and the Sprague collection.

This scant outline indicates the wealth of primary and secondary source material in possession of the Seminary.

For listings and descriptions of these manuscripts, imprints, publications, and all other material, see the forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of New Jersey: Princeton Theological Seminary.

478. BLOOMFIELD COLLEGE AND SEMINARY, 1868--. 467
Franklin Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey.

The old Bloomfield Academy was organized in 1807, through joint efforts of a group of members of the First Presbyterian Church (entry 101). In 1808, the site called "The Green" was purchased and erection of the school was begun. Partially completed in 1810,

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students were admitted to regular class program. The school was dedicated the same year. The Academy building was completed in 1816. From 1810 to 1832 the students met at the same site and the academy was conducted as a private enterprise. The school dissolved in 1832, due to an epidemic of small pox. In 1844, the property was purchased by James H. Rundall, principal. The revived academy continued until 1866.

Amzi Lewis, a graduate of Yale University, was principal from 1810 to 1832.

The Bloomfield College and Seminary was organized in 1868, and known as the "German Theological School of Newark Presbytery". It came under the supervision of the General Assembly in 1870, and was chartered by the legislature in 1871.¹ Its primary objective was the education of a suitable ministry for the German people of the vicinity, and who needed bilingual ministers.

The institution truly had a small beginning. Its headquarters were in a lecture room in the rear of the First German Church (entry 109), 110 Spruce Street, Newark, under the care of Revs. Guenther and Siebert, as instructors. When it opened its door for the first term of study in 1869, the total number present consisted of two professors and four students, later in the same year five others were enrolled.

Soon these quarters were found too small and the trustees secured the "Old Bloomfield Academy" property in 1872. In the same year the school as a body was moved to the building abandoned by the Bloomfield Academy, Siebert Hall, where it is still operating.

Liberty Dormitory was purchased in 1903, and in 1904, the Seminary opened its doors to all nationalities, instructing each in its mother tongue.

Knox Hall, for administration in classrooms, was erected in 1913.

Richards Hall at 403 Franklin Street, adjacent to Knox Hall, was purchased from the Stephen S. Tydeman estate, in memory of Dr. Harry L. Richards, second President and a benefactor of this institution.

Voorhees House was a gift of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Voorhees, of Clinton, New Jersey, and is used as a boys' Dormitory.

There are ten buildings in number, six on the campus and four on nearby sites. The buildings not mentioned are used as student dormitories or for residence purposes by members of the Faculty and the President.

1. P. L. 1871, p. 177.

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Because of the preponderating number of native Americans in the student body, the trustees had the institution's name changed in 1912 to "Bloomfield Theological Seminary". And again in 1931, with the added emphasis placed on higher scholastic training before entering upon theological courses, the trustees added a standard four year college course, and changed the name to its present form.

Rev. Charles E. Knox, D. D., resigned from the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church in Bloomfield in 1873, and became the first president of the German Theological School, as it was then known. Rev. Joseph Hunter, M. A., D. D., is the president of the Bloomfield College and Seminary.

Addresses at the Inauguration of the Faculty of the German Theological Seminary at Newark, New Jersey, 1874. Newark, German Theological Seminary, 1874. 50 pp.

Bloomfield Former Centre of Education. Bloomfield Independent Press, February 18, 1927, III, 1.

First Annual Report of the German School of Theology of the Presbytery of Newark, 1869-70. New York, Broughton and Wyman, 1870. 19 pp.

Folsom, Joseph Fulford, Bloomfield Old and New. Bloomfield, Centennial Historical Committee, 1912. 189 pp.

Knox, Charles E., Origin and Annals of the "Old Church on the Green". 1668-1896. Bloomfield, S. Morris Hablin, 1901. 83 pp.

Mellen, Henry Merle, A Prince Passes. A Memorial address in behalf of the Board of Directors and Alumni of the Bloomfield Theological Seminary at the First Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield, November 13, 1930, for the late Arnold Winkelried Fismer. Bloomfield, Bloomfield Press, 1930. 27 pp.

Minutes of the Board of Directors, 1889-1907, 1 vol., printed; 1908-21, 1 vol., ms.; Annual Reports of the Directors, 1871-74, 4 vols., printed; Annual Reports of the Directors and Treasurer, 1878, 1905-10, 5 vols., ms.; Record of the Faculty, 1879-1914, 1918-19, 1922-25, 1928-30, 1937-- , 12 vols., ms.; Records of Matriculation (Directors' Record of Declaration in entering office), 1871-- , 1 vol., printed; Record of Endowments, 1894-1904, 1 vol., ms.; Cash Books, 1884-- , 7 vols.; Ledgers, 1884-- , 4 vols.; Refectory Accounts, 1923-- , 13 vols., 1 bundle; Contributions, 1920-- , 1 vol., 1 file drawer; Correspondence and miscellaneous Reports, 1934-- , 1 file drawer.

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Alumni Lists, 1879-1936, 1 vol.; Declaration of Purpose to Preach (in German), 1898-1903, 1 vol.; Grade Marks, 1907--, 3 vols., 2 file boxes, 1 file drawer; List of Students, 1928--, 1 vol.; Payments Made to Students (for Scholarships by the General Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church), 1874-1923, 1 vol.; Refectory Accounts, 1923--, 13 vols., 1 bundle; Registration of Students, 1885--, 9 vols.; Roll of Ministers (Ordinations and Licenses), 1816-1936, 1 vol.; Students' Records (Activities' Account, Advertising, Correspondence, Progressive Students' Reports to State Board of Directors, Refectory, Students' Enrollments, Students' Lists, Students' Registers), 1926--, 2 file drawers; Term Examinations, 1890-95, 1904-07, 2 vols.; Theses, 1934--, 3 file drawers.

Bulletins

German Theological School Catalogues and Reports, 1870-90, 1 vol.; 1876-1911, 23 issues.

Charter

Original charter dated February 2, 1871. German Theological School of Newark to Bloomfield Theological Seminary, September 30, 1912. Bloomfield Theological Seminary to Bloomfield College and Seminary, April 13, 1931.

Museum Pieces

Rev. George Albert Godduhn, a missionary and graduate of Bloomfield Seminary, donor.

Bracelets (2) made of tan bone and worn by most of the women in the interior of West Africa.

Crescent shaped steel necklace weighing three pounds or more worn as an ornament and prized highly by Bulu women. Upon death of the wearer her head is cut off for the removal of the necklace for the adornment of another.

Saw of sawfish caught at Botanga, Equitorial Africa.

Prayerstone from India, made of clay from the Holy Ground of Ormund.

Small wooden idol with human teeth for eyes, from Coriso and Gohun Mission, Batemger, West Africa.

Wooden handled steel pointed war spears.

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Placques

Placque of Luther - 1517 - 1917 - Kovacs. Presented by the Class of MCMXVII in memory of the Birth of the Reformation in MDXVII.

Steel Placque - In Loving memory of Charles Eugene Knox, D. D., December 27, 1833 - April 30, 1900. First President of the German Theological School of Newark, New Jersey.

Steel Placque - In Memorium - Arnold Winkelried Fismer, Ph. D., D. D.

Portraits

Portrait of Rev. Hermes Cavaracchi, Lit. D., professor of the Italian Department.

Portrait of Rev. Charles Eugene Knox, D. D., founder of the Seminary was born at Knoxboro, New York, 1833.

Dr. Henry J. Weber, a member of the first class which graduated in 1874.

President Richards, third President of the Seminary.

Student Publications

Alumni News, 1929-1938. 28 issues.

The Arista, 1934--. 7 vols.

The Lantern, 1931-32. 10 issues.

The Saga, 1932, 1935--. 7 vols.

479. THE MERRIAM HOME, 1900--. Main Street, Newton, New Jersey.

The Westminster House, 1883-1903. Closed.

Dr. Alexander Bruen, son of Mr. Matthias Bruen, gave to the Board of Ministers' Relief of the Presbyterian Church, in 1883, the exclusive use of the Westminster House on Kearny Avenue in Perth Amboy as a haven for retired Presbyterian clergymen, their widows, and children. The Westminster Home was a government building which was erected in 1762, and was the residence of Governor William Franklin in 1776. This House was used until September 1903, when it was closed by authority of the General Assembly, and its guests transferred to the Merriam Home. An agreement was made that when the Westminster House

The Merriam Home

shall have been sold, the Board was to receive a handsome sum from the heirs of Dr. Bruen, doner of the House, which sum was to be added to the Permanent Fund and to be known as "The Bruen Memorial Fund", the interest of which was to be used for the work of the Board.

This building is still extant and is now a hostelry under private management. It is a large three story frame structure of Georgian Colonial architecture.

The Merriam Home on Main Street in Newton was a gift to the Board of Relief for Disabled Ministers and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers (now the Board of Pensions) by the will of Mr. Henry Merriam of Newton in 1900. The will also provided an endowment of \$30,000.00 for the maintenance and repair of the Home. Because of the expense incurred in maintaining the Westminster House in Perth Amboy, the Board asked permission of the General Assembly in 1902, to close that haven. Funds which normally would have been spent on the Westminster House, were then used for the building of an addition to the Merriam Home. Upon the action of the General Assembly closing the Westminster House in 1903, the guests were transferred to the Merriam Home. Several additional bequests were made to the Board by Mr. Thomas Hayward, and by the heirs of the Bruen Family.

This Home is a frame structure of late Victorian architecture.

By authority of the General Assembly the local Board of Trustees of this Home is selected by the Newton Presbytery.

Officials of the local Board of Trustees consist of Rev. J. Charles McKirachan, Chairman, 11 Linwood Avenue, Newton, and Rev. R. Spencer Young, Secretary, R. F. D., Newton.

Annual Report of the Presbyterian Board of Relief,
Presented to the General Assembly, Philadelphia,
Presbyterian Board of Relief, 1901, pp. 11, 14, 65;
1902, p. 65; 1904, pp. 6, 7, 61; 1905, pp. 18, 19, 66.

Newspaper articles in New Jersey Herald, January 10, 1900; November 29, 1900; December 13, 1900; January 24, 1901.

Newspaper articles in Sussex Register, November 22, 1900; December 13, 1900.

Mendenhall, Harlan G., Presbyterianism in Perth Amboy, Perth Amboy Publishing Company, 1903, p. 92.

All records other than those shown below are in the Historical Society or offices of the Board of Pension, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

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Trustee Records (Record of internal management of the Home), 1900--, 1 vol., in custody of Rev. R. Spencer Young, Secretary, R. F. D., Newton.

Record of will: Sussex County Surrogate's Office, Wills, vol. M, p. 1.

480. PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL, 1910--. South Ninth Street and Ninth Avenue, Newark, Essex County.

A small group of men met at the Davis Parlor, 943 Broad Street, Newark, in 1909, to consider the organization of a Board of Trustees for the Presbyterian Hospital and to plan its future. At that time the hospital facilities in the City of Newark were far below the standard considered necessary to meet the needs of its population. The following men were elected: Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D. D., President; Rev. William Y. Chapman, D. D., Vice President; Rev. A. N. Stubbebine, Secretary; and Mr. George C. Sleeth, Treasurer. Dr. Lusk pioneered the way for the Presbyterian Hospital; he was daring in his expectations, but successful in his administration.

The present site was acquired in 1910, at which time a charter was secured for a hospital, under the name of Bethany Presbyterian Hospital, in connection with the dispensary at the Bethany Presbyterian Church. An amended certificate of incorporation was filed with the Secretary of State. Dr. Samuel C. Roberts was elected head of the hospital staff.

The early hardships were overcome when funds were raised, and Mrs. Amelia S. Hensler established an endowment of \$6,000.00, endowing the Joseph Hensler, Jr. room.

Alterations and the dedication of the hospital took place in 1912; on November 6th the first patient was received. The hospital when opened had 24 beds.

The maternity department of the hospital opened in an additional building in 1913. Another building was purchased in 1915.

The Women's Auxiliary was organized in 1915 and in the same year several nurses were graduated from the training department.

In 1918, the hospital was not only in need of repairs, but suffered a serious fire. Friends interested in the humanitarian work that was being done made possible the purchase of six additional houses in 1919.

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By the year 1920, many obligations accrued. Again necessity was answered, \$70,000.00 being given to the hospital from the estate of the late Mrs. Sarah L. Logan, followed the same year by a bequest of \$20,000.00 from the late George Ketchum.

A campaign was started in 1927 for the erection of a new and modern structure for the Presbyterian Hospital. By 1929 the new hospital was completed, dedicated, and ready to open its doors.

From the humble beginning of Bethany Presbyterian Hospital to the present fully equipped plant, Presbyterians have achieved an inspiring program.

The first head nurse, appointed in 1912, was Miss Elizabeth Miller, R. N. Miss Eleanor E. Hamilton, Superintendent is the head of the present plant; Miss Hazel M. Dearth, R. N., Director, is in charge of the school for nurses.

Applications for Admission (as Student Nurse), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Applications Accepted (as Student Nurse), 1912--, 1 file drawer; Applications not Accepted (as Student Nurse), 1912--, 1 file drawer; Students Expelled-Resigned, 1913--, 3 file drawers; Students' Health Record, 1927-1939, 4 file drawers; Cumulative Health Record, 1939--, 1 file drawer; Students' Progress Record (Summary Card), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Record of Elementary Nursing Practice, 1927--, 4 file drawers; Student Record of Nursing Assignments, 1939--, 1 file drawer; Permanent Record of Advanced Nursing Practice, 1927-1939, 4 file drawers; Record of Operating Room Service (Supervisors' record of students' service), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Record of Obstetrical Service (Supervisors record of Student Service), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Record of Diets Served (Dieticians report of students in service in diet kitchen), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Impression of Nursing Ability and Personality Reports (Instructors' report of student to Supervisor), 1939--, 2 file drawers; Registry Record (nurse assignments to hospital and home cases), 1927--, 1 file drawer; Student Final Record (Summary, Original Directors' Report to State Board of Examiners of Nurses), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Nurses' Report of Theory and Practice (Duplicate of Directors' Report to State Board of Examiners of Nurses), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Examination Reports of Students (Duplicate reports from the State Board of Examiners), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Procedure Record (to affiliating school of hospital by a County Hospital), 1927--, 4 file drawers; Applications for Preliminary Qualifying Certificate (to the Bureau of Credentials), 1939--, 1 file drawer; Registry (Applications of Registered Nurses for Membership to the Association), 1927--, 1 file drawer; Correspondence, 1927--, 2 file drawers in School of Nursing Office.

Personnel of Administration Employees (Permanent Employment Record), 1912--, 100 file boxes in custody of Miss Hamilton, Director's Office. Personnel Record (Record of Salary and Wages), 1917-1926,

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1 vol., in Superintendent's Office. Audit Sheets, 1930--, 3740 envelopes in Cashier's Office. Superintendent Profit or Loss (monthly tabulation of receipts and disbursements, profit and loss), 1914-1920, 1 vol., in Superintendent's Office. Old Accounts (unpaid accounts prior to 1925), 1922-1924, 5 vols.; Petty Cash Records, 1936--, 40 envelopes in Cashier's Office. Patients' Accounts, 1912--, 4 vols., 23 file boxes; General Ledger, 1927--, 3 vols., in Bookkeeping Department, Cashier's Office. Paid Vouchers, 1937--, 6 file boxes; Cancelled Checks and Stubs, 1929--, 47,610 checks and stubs, in Superintendent's Office.

Master Index to Charts (also index to Register, Daily Narcotic Record, Booking Office Record, Maternity Record, Patients' Docket, Admitting Book, Record of Free Patients, Anaesthesia Record, Hospital Census Record, and Birth Certificates), 1912--, 42 file drawers; Charts, 1912--, 2143 file boxes, in Historian's Office. Register of Patients (in and out), 1915--, 4 vols.; Daily Narcotic Reports, 1930--, 2 file boxes; Booking Office Records, 1929--, 10 vols.; Maternity Records, 1912--, 7 vols., in Record Room, 1st floor. Patient's Dockets, 1912--, 60 file drawers, in Historian's Office. Admitting Books, 1912--, 15 bundles; Record of Free Patients, 1926--, 5 vols., in Record Room, 1st floor. Anaesthesia Records, 1912--, 16 vols., in Historian's Office. Hospital Census Records, 1918--, 5 vols.; Birth Certificates, 1912--, 8 bundles, in Record Room, 1st floor.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. O, p. 431; vol. P, p. 228; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. O 47, p. 40; vol. U 52, p. 125; vol. W 55, pp. 591, 593; vol. P 75, p. 3; vol. G 89, p. 277; vol. K 91, p. 398; vol. R 94, p. 368; vol. N 96, p. 115.

481. THE PRESBYTERIAN HOME OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY, 1927--. Belvidere, Warren County.

The Presbyterian Home in Belvidere is a home for aged and dependent Presbyterians. The home was the outgrowth of a desire to signalize the one hundredth Anniversary of the Synod. Members of the Synod were the incorporators. In 1915, the Synod authorized the establishment of the home. The building program languished for several years due to the war. Many properties were inspected during this time. A campaign was started for funds and the Blair Home in Belvidere was selected. In 1927, the doors of this worthy institution were opened with twenty-two guests. Elder Joseph Haddaway Wright, late president of the board of trustees, was prominent in the preliminary movements of this program.

The home stands on spacious grounds overlooking the Delaware River. The structure is of brick. There are fifty well equipped and

The Presbyterian Home of the Synod of New Jersey

comfortable bedrooms, with hot and cold water, and ten bathrooms. Many applications are on file.

Upon entrance each guest is required to pay a fee, with an additional deposit for burial expense.

The only means of maintenance is through gifts and the entry fees.

Trustee Records, 1927--, 2 vols., in custody of Rev. D. Wilson, Secretary, 426 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton. Financial Records, 1926--, 3 vols., in custody of Charles F. Windham, Treasurer, 1411 Trenton Trust Company Building, Trenton. Case Histories, 1927--, 1 file, in Home Office, Belvidere.

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482. BOARD OF PENSIONS, 1717--. Rev. Reid S. Dickson, D. D., General Secretary, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Recognizing the need among the aged and disabled among their ministry, Presbyterians in the early period of Presbytery discussed means for alleviation. At their first meeting of the Synod in Philadelphia, in 1717, they set up the Fund for Pious Uses. This was the formal beginning of today's great and amplified program designed to care for their aged and disabled ministers, their families, and the lay workers employed by the church organizations.

As the church organization expanded, following 1717, the evolution of the ministerial relief movement is an accurate mirror of Presbyterian spiritual growth. In 1759, the Widow's Fund was chartered, just thirty years before the first formed session of the General Assembly. Annual Church-wide contributions were assured the cause by the Old School Assembly in 1849, appointing a Standing Committee to assume this responsibility. In 1864, the New School Assembly established its Permanent Fund. The Reunion Assembly of 1870 merged these two Funds, and chartered the Board of Relief in 1876. Thirty-one years later the Sustentation Department was set up, and the combination of Relief and Sustentation was effected in 1918 under a single board. In 1927, the Board of Pensions, in its present administrative program, was organized.

The first grant for relief was made in 1719; the amount was for four pounds to a minister's widow. Last year over \$2,000,000.00 was paid out in the present giant program.

For records of the Board of Pensions see Annual Reports, 1927--, in Minutes, Reports of the General Assembly covering same years. For records of earlier committees, see also General Assembly reports. For all other records located in headquarters of Board in Philadelphia, see the forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of Pennsylvania: Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

483. BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS, 1802--. Rev. E. Graham Wilson, D. D., General Secretary, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

As early as 1649, the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in New England was given authority by the British Parliament to collect moneys and dispose of them in furthering the gospel in the New World. Sustained by many Presbyterians of the British Isles, this Society supported John Eliot and others in a missionary program. Eliot had organized six Indian churches by 1689. Successive pioneer missionaries, men like Francis Doughty, William Traill, and Francis Makemie, laid well the foundations of the Presbyterian faith in this country.

Board of National Missions

In 1706, the first Presbytery urged its members to be diligent in supplying desolate places. The first Synod, in 1717, continued this emphasis on missionary work. The work among the Indians in New Jersey was carried on by such men as David and John Brainerd. From 1761 the latter was supported by the Synod of New York.

In 1789, at the first meeting of General Assembly at Philadelphia, endorsement of the missionary efforts of presbyteries and synods was a foreshadowing of the vast present program.

In 1802, General Assembly appointed a Standing Committee of Missions. The progressive development leading to the present Board of National Missions passed through the following sequence:

- 1816 Board of Missions
- 1838 Board of Publication, Old School
- 1844 Committee on Church Extension of Board
of Missions, Old School
- 1852 Publication Committee, New School
- 1853 Church Erection Committee, New School
- 1854 Trustees of Church Erection Fund,
New School
- 1857 Board of Domestic Missions, Old School
- 1861 Presbyterian Committee on Home Missions,
New School
- 1865 Assembly Committee on Freedmen, Old
School
- 1868 Sub-Committee on Freedmen, New School
- 1869 Cumberland Board of Missions
- 1870 Board of Home Missions
Ladies' Board of Missions of New York
Board of Church Erection Fund
Presbyterian Committee on Missions
for Freedmen
Presbyterian Board of Publication
Welsh Board of Missions
- 1878 Woman's Executive Committee of Home
Missions
- 1882 Board of Missions for Freedmen
- 1887 Board of Publication
- 1897 Woman's Board of Home Missions
- 1901 Committee on Evangelism
- 1915 Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains

Then in 1923, to promote efficiency in the administration of all these boards, and committees, a group having their larger interests in common, the General Assembly chartered its Board of National Missions.

Board of National Missions

This Board was incorporated April 24, 1923 in New Jersey (Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. J I, p. 23).

The records listed below are to be found in Princeton Theological Seminary.

The Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, 1872-79, 3 vols. Monthly publications edited by Sheldon Jackson, Superintendent of Home Missions, Denver, Colorado. Published by the Board of Home Missions, 22 Centre Street, New York City.

The Home Mission Monthly, 1904-23, 17 vols. Monthly publication by the Women's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in America, New York City.

Women and Missions, 1924-- , 16 vols. Monthly magazine of national and foreign missions, published by the Women's Committee of the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Lucia P. Towne, Editor.

See also, Annual Reports, in General Assembly Minutes and Reports, 1802--.

For additional records see Inventory of the Church Archives in New York City: Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., p. 25.

484. BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, 1819-- . Rev. Paul Calvin Payne, D. D., General Secretary, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Always concerned with the problem of instructing its communicants and their children in all the teachings of the faith, the General Assembly appointed a permanent committee on Christian Education as early as 1819. As the number of synods increased, and the presbyterial organization within each synod became more amplified, and especially as the program of Christian education became broad and full, the General Assembly determined to entrust these great responsibilities to a permanent Board with headquarters in Philadelphia. This was done in 1923.

The objectives of the Board of Christian Education may be summarized as follows: emphasis on enriching the Christian's home life; evangelization among little children; establishing young people in the principles of Christian fellowship; extension of church influence among boys and girls away from their families; deepening the spiritual life of adults by drawing them into some form of church organization service; promoting wider cooperation in the missionary enterprise of the church; emphasizing Christian stewardship; and developing responsibility for the educational program of the church.

Board of Christian Education

The General Secretary of the Board is Rev. Paul Calvin Payne, D. D., Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia. In New Jersey, the chairman of the synodical Permanent Committee on Christian Education is Rev. Frank H. Huffman, 190 Demarest Avenue, Englewood.

Records of the Standing Committees on Christian Education in each of the eight New Jersey Presbyteries are incorporated in their annual reports to the Permanent Committee on Christian Education of the Synod of New Jersey. These combined reports are in turn incorporated in the synodical reports to the Board of Christian Education.

For Board Reports, 1923--, see Minutes, Reports, General Assembly, 1923--. (entry 1). For other records of the Board of Christian Education, see the forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of Pennsylvania: Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Publications (In Princeton Theological Seminary)

Weekly

The Presbyterian, 1831--, (5,630 copies). Weekly publications printed in newspaper style. Published by the Presbyterian Publishing Company, Market Street, Philadelphia.

Monthly

Christian Advocate, 1821-34, 14 vols. Presbyterian Magazine published monthly. Rev. J. J. Janeway, D. D., Editor.

The Church at Home and Abroad, 1877-99, 24 vols. Published by order of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. Philadelphia.

The Assembly Herald, 1899-1933, 38 vols. Monthly publication by order of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. (name changed to New Era Magazine, 1918, and in 1921, The Presbyterian Magazine) and continued as such until 1933.

Quarterly and Monthly

Westminster Departmental Graded Series: Published quarterly by the Publication Department of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A. Philadelphia, Park Hays Miller, Editor.

Intermediate Teachers Quarterly, 1917-29.

Intermediate Pupils Quarterly, 1918-29.

Intermediate in the Sunday School, 1927--.

The Intermediate Society, 1927-29.

Board of Christian Education

Leaders of Intermediates, 1930--.

1938--., Young People in the Sunday School (Teacher's Edition),

1938--., Young People in the Sunday School (Student's Edition),

The Society Quarterly, 1939--.

Junior Teacher's Quarterly, 1936--.

Junior Work and Study, 1936--.

Junior Units in Society Clubs and Other Groups, 1938--.

Leaders of Seniors, 1929--.

Seniors in the Sunday School, 1938--.

The Senior Society, October to December, 1939.

The Westminster Senior Teachers' Quarterly, 1919-29.

Uniformed The Westminster Young People's Quarterly, International Series, 1924--.

The Westminster Intermediate Senior Quarterly, 1925-37.

Westminster Junior Quarterly, 1936--.

Westminster Primary Quarterly, 1936--.

Uniformed The Westminster Intermediate Senior Quarterly, International Series, 1937--.

The Westminster Uniform Lesson Teacher (Monthly), 1936--.

The Westminster Adult Bible Class (Monthly), 1937--.

485. BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, 1837--. Mr. James M. Speers,
Administrative Vice President, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York,

The impulse driving Presbyterians to foreign mission work in this country stemmed from the church of Scotland, which appointed a Board of Correspondents in New York in 1741. The appointment of David Brainerd as missionary to the Indians in New Jersey is evidence of the missionary zeal of that day.

Board of Foreign Missions

In 1788, the Synod of Philadelphia exhorted the churches within its bounds "to take collection for the supporting of missionaries on the frontier".

In 1817, a United Missionary Society was organized, which was supported by Presbyterians, the Reformed Dutch churches, the Associate Reformed churches, and others who might care to join them.

In 1826, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions of the Congregational Church absorbed the United Missionary Society, which added new fuel to the blaze of dissension already arisen over cooperation or union with the Congregational program.

In 1831, the Western Foreign Missionary Society, with headquarters in Pittsburgh, was set up by the Synod of Pittsburgh as fruit of the New School Old School controversy. The organization of the Board of Foreign Missions, by the Assembly, meeting in Baltimore in 1837, set the stage for disunion in the church; but at the same time began a new day for foreign missions.

This is the organization that has carried on into the present era with its amplified program. The first secretary of this Board was Walter Lowrie. A one time member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, a United States Senator, and in 1824 appointed as a Secretary of the United States, Walter Lowrie chose to serve this board. He and his three missionary sons heighten the color of this early page of the Board's story.

The present administrative officers of the Foreign Mission Board are: Rev. Charles R. Erdman, D. D., LL. D., President; Miss Margaret E. Hodge, and Mr. James M. Speers, Vice Presidents.

The following records and publications are in Princeton Theological Seminary Library:

Annual Reports to the General Assembly, 1925-33, 1937, 1939, 4 vols., printed; Minutes and Lists of Members of the American Protestant Mission Church at Gaboon, West Africa, 1843-70, 1 vol., ms.; Minutes of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Bemta, Africa, 1866-86, 1 vol., ms.; Minutes of the China Council of the Presbyterian Church, 1924, 1 vol., printed; Missionary Correspondence (Rev. Pliny Fisk to Rev. Isaac Bird, Beyroot, Syria, dated Damascus, July 3, 1824; Rev. Isaac Bird to Rev. William Goodell, Malta, dated Tripoli, May 7, 1829; Joseph Brewer to Rev. Isaac Bird, Beyroot, Syria, dated Smyrna, June 10, 1833; Rev. Daniel Temple to Rev. Isaac Bird, Beyroot, Syria, dated Malta, August 5, 1833; John Nicolayson to Rev. Isaac Bird, Beyroot, Syria, dated Jerusalem, February 21, 1834; John B. Adger '32 of Western Turkey Mission from Smyrna, 1836; Missionary correspondence from North and South America, Africa, Near East, and the Orient), 1901-10; 6 letters, 1 bundle.

Board of Foreign Missions

Publications

Foreign Missionary Chronicle (later called the Home and Foreign Mission Record; Presbyterian Monthly), 1833-85, 40 vols.

The Phillipine Presbyterian, 1915-- , 24 vols.

For complete inventory of records of the Foreign Mission Board headquarters in New York City, see Inventory of the Church Archives of New York City: Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., p. 27.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SYNOD OF NEW YORK

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PRESBYTERY OF THE HUDSON

486. GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF
NORTH AMERICA, 1858--. 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

It would not be correct to think of this body as a new denomination coming into existence in 1858. Rather should we consider that year as the reorganization date, or merger, of two closely related communities which for long years had enjoyed a common history and experience.

The two groups forming this union were the Reformed Presbyterian or Covenanters Church, founded early in the 17th century in Scotland, and the Associate Presbyterian Church, founded in Scotland approximately a century later. As early as 1782, a large number of the latter body effected a union with the former, calling themselves the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. It was not until 1858, that the remaining churches of the Associate or Seceder group came within the union, and the present name of United Presbyterian Church of North America was adopted.

On May 26, 1858, the Associate Presbyterian Synod met in Pittsburgh and the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod met in Allegheny, just across the Monongahela River from Pittsburgh. On this day the delegates of both bodies, led by their respective moderators, met in the City Hall, Pittsburgh, whereupon the union was consummated.

Rev. John T. Pressley was chosen the first moderator of the United Presbyterian Church of North America; Rev. Samuel Wilson, D. D., was elected the first stated clerk. The present moderator is the Hon. H. Walton Mitchell, LL. D.; the stated clerk is Rev. O. H. Milligan, D. D., LL. D.

For records of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, see the forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of Pennsylvania: United Presbyterians.

487. UNITED PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD OF NEW YORK, 1858--. Rev.
Virgil M. Cosby, Stated Clerk, 4347 Fessenden Street,
N. W., Washington, D. C.

Following the union of the Reformed and Associate Presbyterian bodies in 1858 (entry 486), the Presbyterian churches of New Jersey involved in the merger became a part of the Synod of New York.

This body or court of the United Presbyterian Church meets annually. Its eighty-second meeting was held in the New First United Presbyterian Church (entry 499) of Jersey City, October 10-12, 1939.

Synod of New York

There are eight presbyteries within this synod, the churches of New Jersey falling within the Presbyteries of the Hudson and Philadelphia.

The first moderator of the Synod of New York was Rev. J. T. Cooper, D. D.; the first stated clerk was Rev. J. B. Scouller, D. D. The present moderator is Rev. Ralph S. McFadden; the stated clerk is Rev. Virgil M. Cosby.

For records of the Synod of New York, see forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of New York: United Presbyterians.

488. PRESBYTERY OF THE HUDSON, 1913--. Rev. Mark S. M. Ray, Stated Clerk, 450 Ellison Street, Paterson.

To facilitate harmony and progress, a group of United Presbyterian Churches in the greater New York City area petitioned the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, at its annual convention in May of 1913, for permission to withdraw from the Presbytery of New York. Their request was granted, and in October of the same year the Presbytery of the Hudson was organized. There were seven of these charter members, all but one in the New York City area.

In 1918, by vote of the congregations and with the approval of the General Assembly, the churches comprising the Presbytery of New Jersey (United Presbyterian) merged with the Presbytery of the Hudson.

Meetings of Presbytery are held four times each year on the third Thursday of March, June, September, and January.

Among the officers of Presbytery are: Rev. Francis J. Scott, Ph. D., D. D., Moderator, 263 Greylock Parkway, Belleville, N.J.; and Rev. Mark S. M. Ray, Stated Clerk, 450 Ellison Street, Paterson, N. J.

Only New Jersey churches of the Presbytery of the Hudson are inventoried in this volume. For other churches in this Presbytery see Inventory of the Church Archives of New York City: Presbyterian.

Presbytery Records, 1913--, 1 bundle, in custody of Rev. Mark S. M. Ray, Stated Clerk. For prior records, see Presbytery of New York in forthcoming Inventory of the Church Archives of New York: United Presbyterians.

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489. FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 1832--. 124 Broadway, Newark, Essex County.

Rev. Andrew Stark, a member of the Albany Presbytery of the Associate Presbyterian Church, and also pastor of the Grand Street Church in New York City, was authorized by that Presbytery to organize this group of persons in Newark who up to this time had no affiliation with any denomination, into the Associate Presbyterian Congregation of Newark. This was duly accomplished in May of 1832. From 1832 to 1838, the congregation was without a regular pastor. They held services irregularly with volunteer clergymen and supplies officiating. From 1832 to 1848, they held services at 36 Catherine Street; and from 1848 to 1850, at 129 Washington Street. In 1851, the congregation was incorporated as the Second Associate Presbyterian Congregation of Newark, holding services in its own property acquired that year at 16 Clinton Street. In 1887, this property was sold and a hall, formerly a saloon, was rented at 330 Broad Street where the services continued.

In May of 1888, the present property was purchased upon which site was situated a small frame church, formerly the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church. Plans were immediately made for the erection of the present church, utilizing the front part of the old church. On April 18, 1890, the church was incorporated as the First United Presbyterian Church of Newark, and on October 24, 1895, it was dedicated.

The church is a brick and frame structure of Gothic architecture, with plain and cathedral windows.

Rev. James Williamson served this church from 1838 to 1840. The present pastor is Rev. Francis J. Scott, D. D., 609 Summer Avenue, Newark. Sabbath School classes are held in the church.

Scott, Francis J., Directory and Year Book. Newark, Crozgers Press, 1936. 48 pp.

Session Records (include Financial Record, Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1861--, 4 vols., in custody of Mr. Alfred T. Moreland, Clerk, 59 Halstead Street, Kearny. Trustee Records, 1847--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. W. Eaken, Clerk, 242 Greylock Parkway. Sabbath School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret McKinney, Secretary, 345 Belgrove Drive, Kearny.

Record of incorporations and deeds: Essex County Clerk's Office, Miscellaneous, vol. B, p. 55; vol. B, p. 205; vol. R C 1, p. 44; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. O 3, p. 148; vol. X 23, p. 94.

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490. FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 1856-1864. Merged. Bloomfield Street, Hoboken, Hudson County.

This church was organized in the Hoboken Town Hall in 1854. The congregation met and held services at the #1 Fire House at Washington and Sixth Streets, under the title of the Associate Church. It was incorporated on June 6, 1860, and the name changed to the First United Presbyterian Church of Hoboken. The original site for the church was purchased in 1856, from the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company. The title for the property is held by the Trustees of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America. In 1864, this church merged with the First United Church of Jersey City (entry 491).

The church is a plain stuccoed structure, with cathedral windows.

Rev. W. G. McElhery, was the first pastor serving from 1855 to 1861.

Session Records, 1854--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Thomas Marsh, Clerk, 639 Bloomfield Street. Trustee Records (include Financial Records), 1854--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. William Douglas, Secretary, 610 Standish Road. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1854--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Thomas Marsh, Clerk. Sabbath School Records, 1854--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Mae Marsh, Secretary, 639 Bloomfield Street.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 267; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 81, p. 616; vol. 961, pp. 377-378.

491. FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 1862-1932. Merged. Sip and Tonnele Avenues, Jersey City, Hudson County.

This congregation organized in 1862. Services were conducted in the former Scotch Presbyterian Church (entry 369) on Barrow Street, between Railroad and Newark Avenues, which was purchased by this congregation that year. In 1899, a new site at the corner of Sip and Tonnele Avenues was purchased from Mr. Edward H. Apgar of 48 Glenwood Avenue. The new church was erected and dedicated that year, and the former church was then sold to Mr. George A. Wood. The manse located at 30 Tonnele Avenue was erected in 1901.

In 1932, this congregation merged with that of the Summit Avenue United Church (entry 493); and the combined congregations, now known as the New First United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City (entry 499), worship in this church at Sip and Tonnele Avenues.

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The church is a frame and shingled structure of Romanesque architecture, with pictorial cathedral windows.

Rev. Robert A. Hill was the first pastor serving this church from 1864 to 1870.

For records see New First United Church (entry 499),

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 2, p. 482; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 103, p. 18; vol. 310, p. 213; vol. 719, p. 54; vol. 721, p. 52.

492, SECOND UNITED CHURCH, 1871---. 110 Hancock Avenue, Jersey City, Hudson County.

This group originally attended services at the First United Presbyterian Church in Hoboken. In the winter it was often a difficult trip down from the heights to attend services, so in 1868, this group petitioned the Presbytery of the Hudson for the privilege of organizing a mission to be known as the Mission of the First United Presbyterian Church in Hoboken (entry 490). Permission was granted and the mission organized in 1868. First services were held from 1868 to 1870, in the fire-house of the Union Engine Company #2, located on Palisade Avenue between Franklin and Ferry Streets. These quarters were rented. They remained here until 1870, when the building became too small for the growing congregation.

The sponsoring church purchased the parcel of land at 63 Van Vorst Street (now Bowers Street) from Mr. William B. Ogden of Chicago, and erected a frame church thereon. It was opened for services in the spring of 1870. At a meeting held in the home of Mr. Samuel Martin, Montgomery Street (now Central Avenue) near Thorne Street in 1870, it was decided to petition the Presbytery of the Hudson to organize and recognize them as an independent self-supporting church. The Presbytery granted the request and on April 24, 1871, the Second United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City was organized. They were incorporated May 25, 1871.

The manse at 100 Hancock Avenue was purchased in 1931.

The church is a frame structure of modified Romanesque architecture, covered with simulated brick siding, with a tower, and cathedral windows. Sabbath School classes are held in rooms in the church.

Rev. Robert Armstrong, educated in Scotland, served this church from 1872 to 1892. The present pastor is Rev. James Parker, 100 Hancock Avenue.

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McKelvey, George and Thomas Martin, History of the Second United Presbyterian Church. New York Alpheus T. De La Mare Company, 1905. 51 pp.

Session Records, 1871-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Daniel Hall, Clerk, Beechwood Drive, Packanack Lake. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1871-- , 3 vols., in custody of the pastor. Trustee Records, 1871-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Richard Beck, Secretary, 324 Columbia Avenue. Financial Records, 1871-- , 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Kenneth Walker, Treasurer, 592 Boulevard East, Weehawken.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 5, p. 196; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 238, p. 485; vol. 301, p. 565; vol. 916, p. 287; vol. 930, p. 427.

493. SUMMIT AVENUE UNITED CHURCH, 1880-1932. Merged.
Summit Avenue and Montgomery Street, Jersey City,
Hudson County.

Organized as a mission in 1880, by Rev. Arney S. Biddle, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City (entry 491). At his personal expense he rented a small hall on the top floor of a three story frame building on the northeast corner of Fairmount and Bergen Avenues. Evening services were held here from 1880 to 1883. This mission became a fully constituted church on May 2, 1882. It was incorporated as the Trustees of the Summit Avenue United Presbyterian Church on July 10, 1882. Through the generosity of Mr. Kenneth Dingwall of 7 Woodward Street, Lafayette (now part of Jersey City), three lots were purchased on the corner of Summit Avenue and Park Street, now Montgomery Street, from Mr. Matthew Foster. A frame church was erected and dedicated in 1883.

The title to the church property was held by the trustees of this church until 1893, when it was deeded over to be held in trust by the Board of Church Extensions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, in whose hands it remained until 1932. It was then returned to the Trustees of the New First United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City (entry 499). In 1932, this church merged with the First United Church at Sip and Tonnelle Avenues. The church was then used as a Community Hall until December 1935, when it was rented to the Greek Orthodox Church who still use it for worship.

The church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, with translucent windows.

Rev. Arney S. Biddle served this church from 1882 to 1914.

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For records see New First United Church (entry 499).

Record of incorporation and deeds: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 3, pp. 66, 67; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 369, p. 748; vol. 583, p. 323.

494. PALISADE AVENUE UNITED CHURCH, 1894--. Palisade Avenue and 23rd Street, Union City, Hudson County.

This church was organized as a mission in 1894. The progress of the church is due largely to Rev. Arney S. Biddle of 338 $\frac{1}{2}$ Fifth Street, Jersey City, pastor of the First United Church, Jersey City (entry 491). He received the support of the Presbytery of New York at a time when encouragement was slight. However, even the favoring influences were so few that it seemed for a time as if the whole enterprise would come to nothing. Mr. David Thom and Mr. Robert Clemens and their respective families labored to promote the little mission which did well, although it attracted very little attention. The original meeting place was on the upper floor of the Reporter Building at 247 Lincoln Avenue, now New York Avenue, Union City. For a time the Sabbath attendance was very slight, but due to the fact that the local field was hardly touched by any other Christian denomination, the people of Union City soon became aware of the efforts made to spread the Word of God among them.

Soon their place of worship became inadequate. In May 1896, a store on Spring Street was rented. It was then that the civil organization of the congregation was effected. The ecclesiastical organization became fact and the congregation incorporated on January 9, 1898. It was in the year 1897, that the church moved to the present site. This building was at first a frame structure with little seating capacity. The problem of church growth was always a pressing one. The fact that the Sabbath School and the church were obliged to hold their gatherings in the same place occasioned some defects in the organization. Plans for enlarging the church were perfected once again with the assistance of the Thom and Clemens families. It was resolved to raise the church building and to construct a foundation that would be permanent. Early in 1908, this undertaking was completed.

The church is a grey structure whose upper section is of frame and the lower of brick of Romanesque architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. Arthur Duff was the first pastor, serving this church from 1896 to 1900. The present pastor is Rev. Theodore Milton Scott, 213 Oak Street, Weehawken.

Session Records, 1896--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frank Ballingall, Clerk, 119 Twenty-seventh Street, West New York. Trustee Records, 1896--., 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Krause, Secretary,

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50 Hudson Place, Weehawken. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sabbath School Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Florence MacClosky, Secretary, Shippen Street, Weehawken. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jack Perry, Secretary, 224 Shippen Street, Weehawken. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1916--, 3 vols., in custody of Mrs. John Thom, Secretary, 208 Highpoint Avenue. Junior Missionary Society Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Marie Rusdorph, Secretary, 316 34th Street. Men's Club Records, 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Harry Müller, Secretary, 132 Highpoint Avenue. Young People's Christian Union Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Muriel Wallace, Secretary, 7 Shippen Street. Financial Records, 1936--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Will Pemm, Treasurer, 135 Oak Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 27, p. 210; Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 646, pp. 146-151.

495. HOPE MISSION, 1899--. 3602 Boulevard, Jersey City, Hudson County.

The organizers of this mission of the Second United Church of Jersey City (entry 492) were Mr. Daniel Black, Mr. James Henry, Mr. John Edgar, and Mr. Thomas Martin, all of Jersey City. Rev. James Parker arranged with Mr. Samuel Chapman of 119 Boulevard, Jersey City, to use the first floor of his factory building, located on the corner of Poplar Street and the Boulevard, for church purposes. The first Sabbath School and evening service was held April 30, 1899. The name adopted was the Hope Mission of the Second United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City. In the latter part of 1899, Mr. Chapman notified the Rev. Parker that they would have to move elsewhere as he needed the floor space. Accordingly the sponsoring church sought a new site; and on January 30, 1900, purchased land at the corner of North Street and Boulevard, from Mr. John S. Lyle, and erected and dedicated the present frame chapel thereon.

The church is a frame structure of modified Gothic architecture, and has cathedral windows.

Rev. Frederick W. Jackson, a graduate of Drew Theological Seminary, served this church from 1903 to 1904. The present pastor is Rev. Thomas J. Kang. He is the first Oriental ever to be appointed and elected to take charge of a United Presbyterian Church in the United States.

Butler, J. Donald, History of Hope Chapel. Jersey City, Hope Mission, 1939. 28 pp.

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Session Records, 1935--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William J. Henderson, Clerk, 15 Nelson Avenue. Board of Managers' Records (include Financial Records), 1920--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Bruno Grath, Secretary, 179 Nelson Avenue. Young People's Christian Union Records, 1934--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Rose Wilson, Secretary, 359 Webster Avenue. Junior Missionary Society Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Betty Hilgerlon, Secretary, 90 Irving Street. Young Women's Missionary Society Records, 1937--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Grace Henderson, Secretary, 106 Bleecker Street. Intermediate Christian Union Records, 1927--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Lillian Schnabel, Secretary, 107 Grace Street. Ladies' Goodwill Circle Records, 1928--, 2 vols., in custody of Mrs. Allen Henderson, Secretary, 15 Nelson Avenue. Men's Class Records, 1930--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Benjamin Pfanner, Secretary, 3392 Boulevard. All records prior to this time are incorporated with those of the Second United Presbyterian Church, Jersey City (entry 492).

Record of deeds: Hudson County Register's Office, Leeds, vol. 762, p. 107; vol. 930, p. 427.

496. FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 1910--. Anderson Avenue and Henry Street, Fairview, Bergen County.

This church organized in 1910, by the Rev. William Brennan, as a mission station, was financed by the Home Mission Board of the United Presbytery of Pittsburgh. The present site was purchased by the United Presbytery from the Hudson Heights Realty Company this same year. Services were held in a tent on these grounds until the latter part of 1910, when a hall was rented at 208 Anderson Avenue. These quarters served until a basement of a church was completed in 1911. The present church was completed and dedicated in 1913. At present this church is under the care of the Second United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City (entry 492), and is under the charge of an elder, Mr. Roderick Miller, 465 Central Avenue, Carlstadt.

The church is a fieldstone structure of Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows.

Rev. William Brennan was the first pastor, serving this church from 1910 to 1915.

Session Records, 1910--, 1 vol.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1910--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Daniel Hall, Clerk, Beechwood Drive, Packanack Lake. Sabbath School Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Muriel Wolterding, Secretary, 1291 Newkirk Street. Young People's Christian Union Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Chester Johnson, Secretary, 169 Broad Street. Women's Missionary and Aid Society Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of

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Mrs. Grace Arthur, Secretary, 490 Park Avenue. Financial Records, 1939--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Wisk, Treasurer, 140 Forty-ninth Street, Union City.

Record of Deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Deeds, vol. 728, p. 313; vol. 784, p. 525.

497. REED MEMORIAL CHURCH, 1915--. 285 Stuyvesant Avenue, Lyndhurst, Bergen County.

This church was organized in 1915, by Dr. James Reed, and adopted the name of the United Presbyterian Church of Lyndhurst. The first meetings and services were held in a rented store at 295 Stuyvesant Avenue. The present site was purchased in the same year from Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Krooks. Sufficient funds were raised for the erection of the present church, which was completed and dedicated in 1915. Dr. Reed died in 1916, and in memorium to him, the present corporate name was adopted.

The manse located at 346 Stuyvesant Avenue was purchased from Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Krooks in 1928.

The church is a stuccoed and shingled structure of Old English Gothic architecture, with cathedral windows. Sabbath School classes are conducted in a room in the church.

Dr. James Reed, a graduate of Westminster College, and Xenia Seminary, served this church from 1915 to 1916. The present pastor is Rev. Ernest William Dunn, 346 Stuyvesant Avenue.

Session Records, 1916--, 3 vols.; Trustee Records (contain Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths), 1915--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Jacob Vander Spek, Clerk, 212 Webster Avenue. Sabbath School Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Raymond Lehes, Secretary and Treasurer, 138 Page Avenue. Women's Missionary Society Records, 1928--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Martin Groom, Secretary, 167 Tontine Avenue. Financial Records, 1915--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Joseph Aldridge, Treasurer, 468 Riverside Avenue.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 12, p. 320; Deeds, vol. 912, p. 203; vol. 113, p. 152; vol. 1609, p. 294.

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498. CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, 1924--. 15th and Madison Streets, West New York, Hudson County.

This church was organized in 1924, by the Rev. Anthony Caliandro. First services were held in the First United Presbyterian Church, 9th Street and Hudson Avenue, donated for this purpose. Services were held here until 1927. In this year a parcel of land at the corner of 15th and Madison Streets was purchased from Mr. William Henry Howell of West New York and they proceeded to erect the present church which was completed and dedicated in 1927. Title to all lands and buildings are in the hands of the Board of American Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in North America, but this church is administered by the Church Council of the Church of the Redeemer. The present pastor resides in a portion of the Church converted for that purpose.

The church is a brick structure of Romanesque architecture, with memorial cathedral windows.

Rev. Anthony Caliandro, a graduate of Royal Italian Technical School, Rome; University of Rome, Italy; New York University; and the Biblical Seminary, has served this church since 1924.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Philip Campo, Clerk, kept in the church; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1924--, 1 vol.; Sabbath School Records, 1924--, 1 vol.; Financial Records, 1924--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Salvatore Cascone, Treasurer, kept in the church in custody of the pastor.

Record of deed: Hudson County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. 1570, p. 317.

499. NEW FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 1932--. Sip and Tonnele Avenues, Jersey City, Hudson County.

Upon the merger of First United Church (entry 491), and Summit Avenue United Church (entry 492), in 1932, it was decided to reincorporate as the New First United Presbyterian Church of Jersey City. This newly organized congregation retained the use of the former United First Church as their house of worship. The congregation incorporated as intended in 1933.

The present pastor is Rev. William Bell Gold, a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College, Virginia; Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. He resides at 30 Tonnele Avenue.

Gold, William Bell, Directory, Jersey City, New First United Presbyterian Church, 1933, pp. 17-19.

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Session Records (include records of First United and Summit Avenue United Churches), 1862--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. James Leighton, Clerk, 72 Romaine Avenue. Trustee Records (include Trustee and Financial Records of this, First United and Summit Avenue Churches), 1862--, 2 vols.; Congregational Records (include record of all active church societies of the First United and Summit Avenue United Churches, 1862-1932), 1929--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Campbell Shearer, Secretary, 34 Union Street. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths (includes these vital statistics of First United, Summit Avenue United and the present church), 1862--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Sabbath School Records (include records of First United, Summit Avenue United and present church), 1932--, 1 file box, in custody of Mr. Andrew Miller, Superintendent, 70 Boyd Avenue. Women's Auxiliary Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jennie Minnerly, Secretary, 117 Vroom Street. Kings' Daughters Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Margaret Monahan, Secretary, 158 Virginia Avenue. Young People's Society Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Dorothy Lang, Secretary, 28 State Normal Place. Men's Club Records, 1938--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. William Watt, Secretary, 112 Bergen Avenue.

Record of incorporation: Hudson County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 198, p. 491.

500. CALVARY UNITED CHURCH, 1934-1939. Inactive. South Main Road near Sherman Avenue, South Vineland, Cumberland County.

In October 1934, Rev. Forest G. Howell, pastor, and ten members of the South Vineland M. E. Church, left that church due to a disagreement with the M. E. Conference. That year this little group organized and rented a one story frame building for their services. The congregation selected the name of the Non-Sectarian Tabernacle, and acquired members of all denominations. Due to financial conditions, this church was forced to ask assistance of the Philadelphia Presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church of North America in 1937. This assistance was given with the stipulation that the church name be changed to Calvary United Presbyterian Church. This change of name occurred that year. The church has been inactive since September 25, 1939.

The church is a simple frame structure, with plain windows.

Rev. Forest G. Howell, a graduate of the Methodist Bible School, has served this church since 1934. He resides at 215 Smith Street, Millville. Sabbath School classes are conducted in rooms adjoining the church.

Session Records, 1934-39, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. C. Mapes, Clerk, Brewster Road. Trustee Records, 1937-39, 1 vol., in custody of

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Miss Bertha Dare, Secretary, Sherman Avenue. Sabbath School Records, 1937-39, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Janet Hodge, Secretary, Sherman Avenue. Financial Records, 1936-39, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Edith Finch, Church Secretary, Sherman Avenue.

Record of incorporation: Cumberland County Clerk's Office, Religious Societies, vol. H, p. 433.

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WESTMINSTER CHURCH, 1880--. Ridge Road,
Lyndhurst, Bergen County.

Members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church organized in 1880. They held their meetings in the Kingsland Railroad Station which the town of Lyndhurst gave them permission to use. Meetings were held in the Station until 1908, when the congregation was incorporated and purchased a small schoolhouse, located on New Jersey Avenue. Services continued there until 1915, when they purchased the present site from the Kingsland Methodist Church. During the same year the church was erected and dedicated.

The church is a frame structure, of meeting house type architecture, has a tower, steeple, and cathedral windows.

Rev. George Becker, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, served this church from 1908 to 1912. The present pastor is Rev. F. H. Buchholtz, 604 4th Street.

Session Records, 1908--, 1 vol.; Trustee Records, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. S. D. Mac Dowell, Secretary, 432 Lake Avenue. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1908--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Financial Records, 1880--, 3 vols., in custody of Mr. Harry Kegg, Treasurer, 767 5th Street.

Record of incorporation and deed: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. A, p. 235; Deeds, vol. 894, p. 410.

FIRST CHURCH, 1899--. 35 Main
Street, Lodi, Bergen County.

A small group of members of the Christian Reformed Church in Lodi, holding preparatory meetings in private residences, decided to withdraw from their church home and to establish themselves as a Presbyterian group. This was in 1899.

Land was purchased at 35 Main Street and a building program was immediately begun. Although beginning with a very small group, this congregation has increased to a current membership of more than two hundred. This church does not own a manse, the pastor residing in a rented apartment at 85 Prospect Street. The congregation was incorporated in 1938.

The church is a frame structure.

Rev. Isaac Contant, a graduate of Kampen Theological Seminary, Holland, served this church from 1899 to 1927. The present pastor is Rev. Jacob Meyer, 85 Prospect Street.

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Church Directory (with Historical Sketch), Passaic, Citizens' Press, 1933. 16pp.

Session Records, 1899--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. William Wester, Clerk, 335 Passaic Street. Trustee Records, 1899--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Malcolm Lindsay, Trustee, Grove Street. Sunday School Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. John Fragale, Secretary, 124 Spring Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Mrs. Jacob Meyer, Secretary, 85 Prospect Street. Young Women's Guild Society Records, 1932--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Margaret Troast, Secretary, 131 Hamilton Avenue. Young Men's Society Records, 1920--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. George Donall, Secretary, 83 Garfield Avenue. Men's Brotherhood Records, 1933--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Charles Mees, Jr., Secretary, 87 Garfield Avenue. Young People's Society Records, 1921--, 1 vol., in custody of Miss Rose Galanti, Secretary, 135 Main Street. Financial Records, 1899--, 1 vol., in custody of Mr. Frank Van Welle, Treasurer, 1 Passaic Street, Hasbrouck Heights. Records from 1899-1932, are in Dutch.

Record of incorporation and deed: Bergen County Clerk's Office, Incorporations, vol. 42, p. 624; Deeds, vol. 507, p. 365.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1904--. Red Neck Avenue, Moonachie, Bergen County.

Members attending the Presbyterian Church (entry 377) in Carlstadt, organized this church in 1904. Permission was granted these members to hold their services in the local school until the completion of their church. In 1923, the present site was purchased; and in 1924, the church was dedicated. About 1930, an addition was added to the rear of the church. The pastor resides at 500 Marlboro Road, Wood Ridge.

The church is a brown shingle structure, with plain windows.

Rev. Ferdinand N. Kohler, a graduate of Bloomfield College and Seminary has served this church since 1904.

Session Records, 1904--, 5 vols.; Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1937--, 1 vol. (prior records included in records of the Presbyterian Church in Carlstadt), in custody of the pastor. Sunday School Records, 1904--, 43 vols., in custody of Miss Johanna Bartsch, Secretary, Craig Street. Ladies' Aid Society Records, 1934--, 4 vols., in custody of Mrs. Henry Meyer, Secretary, Red Neck Avenue. Young People's Society Records, 1935--, 2 vols., in custody of Miss Rose Hosbach, Secretary, 291 Washington Avenue, Carlstadt. Financial Records, 1904--, 15 vols., in custody of Miss Johanna Bartsch, Treasurer.

Record of incorporation and deeds: Secretary of State's Vault, State House, Trenton, File N3896; Deeds, vol. 1212, p. 411; vol. 1252, p. 134.

Presbytery of Newark

AMPERE PARKWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH, 1925--. 209 Ampere Parkway, Bloomfield, Essex County.

The Ampere Parkway Community Church was organized in 1925. Members held their early meetings in the residence of Mrs. Frank Dunn, at 91 Ampere Parkway. Services continued here until 1926, when Mr. Dusenberry, of Newark, donated the present site. During the same year the congregation was incorporated and the church was erected and dedicated. The manse adjacent to the church was erected at the same time as the church.

The church is a frame structure, of Gothic architecture.

Rev. William Crawford, a graduate of Upsala College, East Orange, served this church from 1926 to 1932. The present pastor is Rev. Alexander Cairns, 209 Ampere Parkway.

Session Records (include Trustee Records), 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Augustus F. Busse, Clerk, 113 Leslie Avenue, East Orange. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Members, and Deaths, 1925--, 1 vol., in custody of the pastor. Financial records, 1925--, 2 vols., in custody of Mr. Ernest O. Hanks, Treasurer, 299 Ampere Parkway.

Record of incorporation and deed: Essex County Clerk's Office, Religious Corporations, vol. 3, p. 143; Essex County Register's Office, Deeds, vol. D 76, p. 426.

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